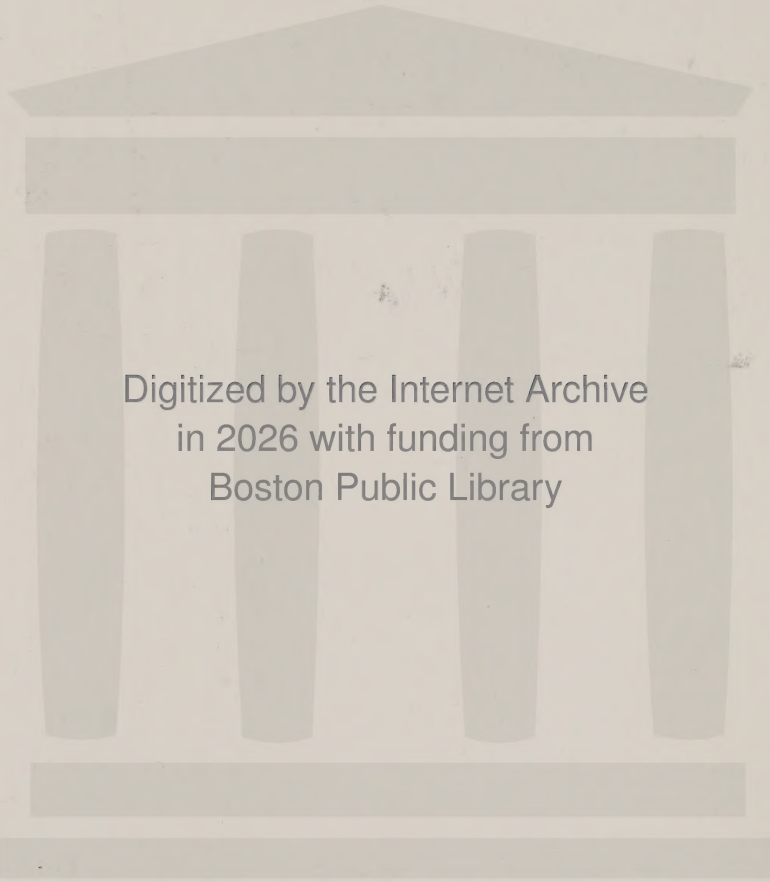




TOWN REPORT 1965
NORTHFIELD

MASSACHUSETTS



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DICKINSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

The first library in Northfield was established through the efforts of a young attorney, Thomas Power.

The General Court had passed an act in 1798 "to enable the proprietors of Social Libraries to manage the same". Northfield was the first town in the County and one of the first in the State to incorporate a Social Library.

By the end of the first year seventy books were in circulation. At first, a room in Houghton's Tavern, located on the corner of Main Street and Warwick Avenue, was used as library headquarters. Later the books were moved to the house of Albert C. Parsons, which stood where the Whitney gas station is now.

At that time, a library building was given to the Town by Elijah M. Dickinson, a Fitchburg manufacturer, who planned the building as a memorial to his family.

A Puritan Outpost, Herbert C. Parson's history of Northfield, says: "The fortified home of his ancestors had stood on the town's Main Street. This site had now been bought and here he offered to build a library. The gift was said to have been somewhat promoted and certainly was guided by Charles Henry Green, the man who had come years ago from Gardner and who had now long been a leader in town affairs.

The Dickinson gift was accepted by the town and dedicated June 7, 1898. The memorial was architecturally fine and perfectly fitted the scene. That it was built of granite from the Northfield Mountain quarry perhaps helped to make it consistent."

The deed, dated April 1, 1898, conveying the land and building to the Town, says:

"It is my wish that said land and building shall be used forever for a free public library, reading and antiquarian rooms, and for educational and scientific uses, but for no other purpose."

The story of the Dickinson Family is told on a bronze tablet inside the building. It reads:

Nathaniel Dickinson built a house in 1728 near this spot, which was soon changed into a fort for a protection against the Indians. He lived here nineteen years, and was killed and scalped by the Indians April 15, 1747, aged 48. A monument at Pochaug Hill marks the spot where he fell. Benoni Dickinson, his son, was born here, where he lived fifty years. He was a soldier of the Revolution, and died in 1839, aged 92. Job M. Dickinson, his son, was born here. He was Justice of the Peace and Selectman many years, and State Representative in 1835. He died in 1870, aged 87. Elijah M. Dickinson, his son, of Fitchburg, was born in West Northfield August 1st, 1816. He erected this building in memory of the above, and presented it to the Town for a Public Library."

Evangeline C. Cook

Elected Town Officers

March 1965 to March 1966

MODERATOR

George M. Leonard

TOWN CLERK

Horace F. Field

TREASURER

Helen Gorzocoski

SELECTMEN

Dwight P. Stearns, Chairman

Stanley J. Powers

Herbert H. Streeter

Term expires March 1966

Term expires March 1967

Term expires March 1968

ASSESSORS

Winthrop E. Spencer, Chairman and Clerk

Robert P. Barnes, Elected October 1965

Lee H. Sheldon

Roger Greenwood

Resigned October 1965

Term expires March 1966

Term expires March 1967

Term expires March 1968

TAX COLLECTOR

Gordon W. Leavis

Term expires March 1966

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Frank J. Rockwell

Alfred Montague April 1965

Brian Overdorff, Elected April 1965

Elizabeth L. Bolton

Term expires March 1966

Term expires March 1966

Term expires March 1968

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Charles W. Llewelyn

Carolyn B. Parenteau

Term expires March 1966

Term expires March 1967

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

John Trumbull	Term expires March 1966
Lillian G. Wells	Term expires March 1966
Jean P. Hatheway	Term expires March 1967
William H. Hawley	Term expires March 1967
Dorothy L. Miller	Term expires March 1968
Luman A. Barber	Term expires March 1968

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Walter R. Clark	Term expires March 1966
Owen Stacy	Term expires March 1967
Horace F. Field	Term expires March 1968

TREE WARDEN

Joseph Bilmon	Term expires March 1967
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CONSTABLES

Joseph G. Morgan	Term expires March 1968
Niles E. Stone	Term expires March 1968
William J. Young	Term expires March 1968
Clesson Field	Term expires March 1968

APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Albert W. Stompe	Term expires March 1966
Aaron W. Newton	Term expires March 1966
Corys M. Heselton	Term expires March 1967
Vernal G. Hurlburt	Term expires March 1967
Alexander Kozlowski	Term expires March 1968
Harvey Hatheway	Term expires March 1968

REPRESENTATIVE TO ATHOL-FRANKLIN REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Frank J. Rockwell	Term expires March 1966
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Appointments by Selectmen for 1966

ACCOUNTANT

Ann P. James

Term expires July 1968

CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT AND FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Howard E. Williams

DEPUTY FIRE WARDENS

Eugene Miller

Philip Mann, Jr.

Paul Carpenter

ACTING POLICE CHIEF

Stanley T. Wickey

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS

Joseph G. Morgan

Niles E. Stone

William J. Young

Clesson Field

Wallace Stange

Albert Weissinger

SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS

Albert Weissinger

Term expires April 1966

GYPSY MOTH AGENT

Joseph S. Bilmon

PUBLIC WEIGHERS

Robert L. Huber

Floyd M. Dunnell, Jr.

Leon H. Dunnell

Frank F. Kelley

James McCollister

Dorothy Bogusz

Edward Dwight

Edward Burniske

Dominick Ferrante

Donald Smith

Arthur Brown

INSPECTOR OF MEAT AND SLAUGHTERING

Leonard W. Barnes

ANIMAL INSPECTOR

Gelbert S. Hammond

Term expires April 1966

FENCE VIEWERS

James E. Dresser

Roger E. Bassett

Laurence M. Hammond

FIELD DRIVERS

James E. Dresser, Jr.

Joseph J. Bartus

Robert L. Gibson

Martin Fritz

Fredd M. Fuller

Edward C. Bolton

Paul Gorzocoski

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND TIMBER

James E. Dresser

Fred I. Bolton

DOG OFFICER

William Young

FOREST WARDEN

Joseph S. Bilmon

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Chalmers Reed

Laurence M. Hammond

Clayton H. Glazier

Term expires 1967

Term expires 1968

Term expires 1969

ELECTION OFFICERS

James R. Dale

Helen Greene

Flora C. Abbey

Catherine Gilbert

Helen M. Stearns

Harrison Stacy

Ann P. James

Edward M. Powell, Jr.

SUBSTITUTE ELECTION OFFICERS

Minnie Skinner

Mary L. Holton

Delores R. Avery

Edith Smolen

1966 Jury List

Owen Stacey

Warner H. Smith

Virginia M. Koonz

Alice Mosse

Grace T. Young

Carl J. Stone

Walter Wozniak

Paul B. Thompson

Helen F. Barber

Paul H. Carpenter

Edwin Finch

Francis B. Reed

Robert D. Abbott

Peter Leyden

Harry J. Waaser

Albert W. Stompe

Willis K. Parker

Raymond J. Parenteau

Hazel B. Anderson

Selectmen's Report for 1965

The Selectmen submit the following report for the year 1965:

A Hough Payloader was purchased for the Highway Department. The old one which had seen quite a few years' service was traded in toward the new one.

Starting May 29, on six Saturdays the bounds of the town were perambulated. All 32 points were located and were found intact.

Mr. Slate resigned as custodian of the Town Hall and Ernest Lawrence was appointed to fill this position.

All trim and window frames on the outside of the Town Hall were painted. Relocation of the driveway on the south side of the building was partially done and will be completed next year.

Work on the Gulf Road was nearly completed; only a short distance remains to be hard surfaced.

The Historical Society Building was painted, which improved the property considerably.

Several meetings have been held with representatives of the Western Mass. Electric Company in regard to their 70 million dollar pumped storage plant to be located on Northfield Mountain.

Appreciation is extended to Willis Parker for help in locating some of the town bounds.

We wish to express appreciation to townspeople who have offered helpful suggestions and notified us of conditions needing attention.

Respectfully submitted,

DWIGHT P. STEARNS, Chairman
STANLEY J. POWERS
HERBERT H. STREETER
Board of Selectmen

Town Clerk's Report

It is extremely important the Vital Statistics record be complete and correct. If any errors or omissions are discovered the Clerk will deem it a favor to have them reported at once so that correction may be made.

As required by Chapter 46, section 15, General Laws of Massachusetts:

Notice is hereby given that the Town Clerk will furnish blanks for returns of births to parents, householders, physicians and registered hospital officers applying for the same.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN 1965

Date	Name	Parents
January		
5	✓ Holloway, Daniel Leslie	Norman W. & Audrey M.
February		
1	✓ McCassie, Deborah Lee	Leonard W. & Marie G.
March		
29	Clough, Brian Gary	Dana P. & Loretta VanR. <i>moved</i>
April		
5	Parsons, Nathaniel Patrick	Edward G. & Nancy A. <i>moved</i>
20	Llewelyn, William Edward	Charles W., Jr. & Mary P.
25	Ross, Richard Leon, Jr.	Richard L. & Candida L. <i>moved</i>
May		
5	✓ Davis, George Thomas, III	George T., Jr. & Barbara J.
5	✓ Porter, Amanda Woodbury	Charles W. & Virginia B.
19	✓ Matosky, Darlene Tracy	Stephen A. & Leanne M.
25	✓ Hall, Bruce Alan	Bernard R. & Claire H.
June		
22	✓ Barrett, Susan Jane	Charles W., Jr. & Carolyn M.
26	✓ Nelson, Jere Steven	John C. & Janice E.
July		
14	<i>int.</i> ✓ Mann, Christopher John	Jack G. & Angela B.
17	May, Robert Arnold, Jr.	Robert A. & Beverly S.
26	✓ Loring, Paul Robinson	Norman R., Jr. & Anne R.

August

4 ✓ ~~W~~ Cutler, Vicki Lynn Robert E. & Barbara T.
 18 ~~✓~~ Boutwell, Susan Marie Raymond L. & Joyce A.
 27 ~~✓~~ Lapine, Charles Louis William & Elizabeth D.

October

7 ✓ Avery, Keith Anderson Fred A. & Delores R.
 15 ✓ Elie, Melissa Mae Wayne L. & Patricia M.
 16 ✓ Sprague, David Richard Richard T. & Frances D.
 18 ✓ Fisk, Charles Henry Arthur R., Sr. & Nancy A.
 18 ✓ Holton, Tina Eileen Roger E. & Rose M.
 26 ✓ Holloway, Diane Marie Roger E. & Phyllis T.

November

2 ✓ Billiel, Robert Alfred Frederick J. & Helen L.

December

3 ✓ Kendall, Michael Wayne Samuel R., Jr. & Alane B.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1965

Date	Name and Residence	Place of Marriage
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January

✓ 10 Phelps, Robert Seaver, Northfield, Mass. Greenfield, Mass.
 Gray, Dorothy Elizabeth (Mann),
 Northfield, Mass.

✓ 23 Paquette, Roger Thomas, Winchester, N.H. Erving, Mass.
 Schillinger, Carol Ann, Northfield, Mass.

✓ 30 Barnes, Richard E., Northfield, Mass. Brattleboro, N.H.
 Lucier, Judy A., Hinsdale, N. H.

March

✓ ~~W~~ 3 Nash, Patrick Corliss, Northfield, Mass. Greenfield, Mass.
 Greene, Jeremie, Fall River, Mass.

May

? 15 Snow, Donald Ralph, Leyden, Mass. Bernardston, Mass.
 Wood, Ruth Eleanor, Northfield, Mass.

✓ 29 Abbott, John Linwood, Newport, N.H. Northfield, Mass.
 Dickinson, Cynthia Lou (Frazier),
 Northfield, Mass.

7 no original record

26 marriages

21 intention

- June
- ✓ 5 Rogers, Robert Newell, Northfield, Mass. Greenfield, Mass.
Hewitt, Helen Martha, Gill, Mass.
- ✓ 5 Kemp, Russell Sumner, Guilford, Vermont Erving, Mass.
Schryba, Mary Elizabeth (Richardson),
Northfield, Mass.
- ? 12 Johnson, John David, Greenfield, Mass. Greenfield, Mass.
Ash, Elizabeth Betsy, Northfield, Mass.
- ? 27 Kendall, Samuel Reed, Jr., Vernon, Vt. Northfield, Mass.
Black, Alane Helen, Northfield, Mass.
- ? Wilson, Alan Thomas, Bloomfield, Conn. Bernardston, Mass.
Foster, Judith Ann, Bernardston, Mass.
(Arthur, Linde) (Erving)
- July
- ✓ 17 Walker, Douglas Milton, Northfield, Mass. Northfield, Mass.
Johnson, Barbara Marie, Warwick, Mass.
- ✓ 18 Walker, Clarence Harold, Jr., Vernon, Vt. Northfield, Mass.
Amidon, Grace Marion, Vernon, Vt.
- ? 24 Pearsall, David Alexander, Northfield, Bernardston, Mass.
Mass.
Foster, Judith Ann, Bernardston, Mass.
- August
- ? 14 Mello, August Carl, Northfield, Mass. Natick, Mass.
Gordon, Mary Alice, Natick, Mass.
- ✓ 14 Duda, Stephen James, Northampton, Mass. Northfield, Mass.
Farrar, Sally Ann, Northfield, Mass.
- ✓ 24 Provost, Robert Joseph, So. Hadley Northampton, Mass.
Falls, Mass.
Petrin, Joyce Eileen, Northfield, Mass.
- September
- ✓ 3 Browning, Bruce Scott, Erving, Mass. Northfield, Mass.
Nickerson, Barbara Olive, Montague, Mass.

- ✓ 5 Nicholson, Bennet Malcolm, Northfield, Mass. East Orleans, Mass.
Collins, Pamela, Eastham, Mass.
- October
- ✓ 1 Blackmer, William H., North Orange, Mass. Northfield, Mass.
Addison, Mildred Elizabeth (Vorce), Northfield, Mass.
- ✓ 16 Merrifield, Morris Stephen, Jr., Northfield, Mass. Northfield, Mass.
Fisher, Grace Elizabeth, Northfield, Mass.
- ✓ 18 Rounds, Alien Kenneth, Newfane, Vermont Northfield, Mass.
White, Susan Irene, Montague, Mass.
- ✓ 30 Spencer, Rodman Jones, Northfield, Mass. Greenfield, Mass.
Chula, Joanne Frances, Greenfield, Mass.
- November
- ✓ 6 Carey, Thomas John, Northfield, Mass. Northfield, Mass.
Rush, Nancy Marilyn, Orange, Mass.
- December
- ✓ 9 Bouker, Bruce Othick, Northfield, Mass. Greenfield, Mass.
Jarvis, Norma Lee (Russell), Northfield, Mass.
- ? 27 Graves, Robert Edwin, Croton-on-Hudson, New York Northfield, Mass.
Newton, Ann Marie, Northfield, Mass.

DEATHS RECORDED IN 1965

Date	Name	Years	Age Months	Days
January				
1	Barnes, Elizabeth Susan	3	4	8
23	Solms, Charles L.	59	6	10
27	Plotczyk, Maryann Chrzanowski	71	-	-
29	Fee, Harold D.	42	4	29
31	Maynard, Josephine Fleming	87	3	15

February				
3	Hoehn, William Frederick	91	10	4
6	Randall, Lillian F.	68	1	15
12	Luciw, Michael	69	3	22
13	Clough, Dana Paul	62	9	21
March				
8	Persons, Nancy Lee	10	2	28
18	Cooper, Mabel May	81	3	2
20	Holloway, Lee Windham	64	3	26
22	Montague, Alfred Dwight	39	11	8
April				
15	Slate, William Warren	83	11	15
May				
30	Boley, Martha Seggerman	72	2	14
June				
29	McIntire, Amos Francis	63	3	13
July				
9	Messer, William Elwin	80	4	-
9	Palmer, Rachel A. (Akers)	66	7	24
10	Corish, Anastasia Marie	85	2	8
September				
9	Douglas, Edith Bride	91	4	21
October				
17	Mroczek, John H.	18	4	5
22	Russell, Thomas Joseph	75	9	12
27	Hatch, Laura Wurtenberger	74	8	13
31	Wozniak, John Stephen	79	10	7
November				
2	Stetson, Grace Thomas	73	5	25
23	Rikert, Dorothy Babson	71	2	17
25	Doolittle, Edna Nourse	87	11	10
December				
19	Sibley, Frieda Johnson	59	5	17
27	Galvis, Nellie Krol	71	4	12
29	Playful, Hannah Tierney	59	5	25

DOG LICENSES ISSUED IN 1965

Male Dogs	107
Female	16
Female (Spayed)	63
Special Kennel (\$10.00)	5
Special Kennel (\$25.00)	2

SPORTING LICENSES ISSUED IN 1965

Resident Fishing	69
Resident Hunting	130
Resident Sporting	67
Resident Minor Fishing	30
Resident Women's Fishing	15
7-Day Non-Resident Fishing	7
Non-Resident Fishing	45
Alien Fishing	1
Resident Minor Trapping	0
Resident Trapping	1
Non-Resident Hunting	7
Archery Deer Stamp	4
Resident Sporting (Free)	24
Duplicate	9
Res. Citizen's Fishing (Free)	3

OTHER LICENSES AND PERMITS ISSUED IN 1965

Alcohol (Methyl)	1
Auctioneer	2
Auctioneer (Temporary)	0
Common Victualler	5
Gasoline	5
Innholder	1
Junk	0
Milk	4
Oleomargarine	0

Copy of the Votes Taken
at the

Annual Town Meeting

MARCH 1, 1965

The inhabitants of the Town of Northfield came to the Town Hall in answer to the call of the Warrant. The meeting was called to order and the Warrant was read by the Town Clerk. The Polls were opened at ten A.M. and closed at eight P.M. and it was determined that 212 votes had been cast. The results were as follows:

Town Clerk, one year	
Horace F. Field	206
Blanks	6
Town Treasurer, one year	
Helen B. Gorzocoski	199
Blanks	13
Selectman, three years	
Herbert H. Streeter	203
Blanks	9
Moderator, one year	
George M. Leonard	186
Blanks	26
Assessor, three years	
Roger M. Greenwood	186
Blanks	26
Tax Collector, one year	
Gordon W. Leavis	181
Blanks	31
School Committee, three years	
Elizabeth L. Bolton	190
Blanks	22
School Committee, one year	
Frank J. Rockwell	187
Blanks	25
Library Trustees, three years	
Vote for two	
Luman A. Barber	192
Dorothy L. Miller	199
Blanks	33

Library Trustee, one year	
John C. Trumbull	195
Blanks	17
Cemetery Commissioner, three years	
Horace F. Field	201
Blanks	11
Constables at large, three years	
Vote for three	
Clesson M. Field, Jr.	194
Joseph G. Morgan	199
Niles E. Stone	191
Blanks	52
Constable, Northfield Farms, three years	
William J. Young	200
Blanks	12
Planning Board, five years	
Gerald R. Barnes	192
Blanks	20

After the announcement of the results, the meeting was closed, to be reopened on Tuesday, March 2, 1965 in accordance with the Warrant.

Horace F. Field, Town Clerk

COPY OF THE VOTES TAKEN AT THE
ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MARCH 2, 1965

Approximately one hundred and fifty persons assembled in accordance with the Warrant as posted, to conduct the business of the Annual Town Meeting. Mr. George M. Leonard, Moderator, called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and the Reverend Arthur J. Green gave the Invocation. The reading of record was waived. James R. Dale and Helen M. Stearns were appointed to serve as tellers.

The consideration of the articles in the Warrant resulted as follows:

Article 1. No action was taken on the reports as printed in the Town Report.

Article 2. VOTED: To authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1965; and to issue a note or notes thereof, payable within one year, and to renew such notes as may be

given for a period of less than year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws; any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1965.

Article 3. VOTED: To empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town.

Article 4. VOTED: That the Moderator read the amounts recommended by the Finance Committee as salaries or elected officials, and also read the totals of all other amounts recommended by the Finance Committee to be raised and appropriated under the article, and unless objection is made, each item recommended in the report of the Finance Committee shall be tentatively accepted as appropriated for the purpose stated. If objection is made to any recommendation, such appropriation shall be taken up separately and the amount thereof and the manner of raising the same shall be determined by vote of the meeting and tentatively accepted, and after all appropriations have been tentatively accepted, one vote shall be taken appropriating each amount so accepted as a single appropriation not to be exceeded.

VOTED: That the salary of each elected official for the calendar year 1965 be fixed at the amount hereafter appropriated therefor:

VOTED: That all appropriations having been tentatively accepted, one vote be taken appropriating each amount of accepted as a single appropriation not to be exceeded.

Selectmen		\$1325.00
Chairman	475.00	
Others	425.00	
Expense		600.00
Moderator Salary		25.00
Expense		15.00
Finance Committee Expense		25.00
Town Accountant Salary		1100.00
Expense		85.00
Treasurer Salary		1000.00
Expense		450.00
Tax Collector Salary		1000.00
Expense		700.00
Foreclosure costs Tax Title		150.00
Protection Tax Title Property		25.00
Assessors' Salaries		1200.00
Each Member	400.00	
Expense		400.00

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Town Clerk Salary	550.00
Expense	100.00
Legal Expense	250.00
Elections and Registration	1000.00
Planning Board Expense	200.00
Town Hall Maintenance	6000.00
Constable, Special Police Pay, Expense and Equipment	1750.00
Fence Viewers, Field Drivers and Pound Keeper	50.00
Fire Department Salaries	500.00
Fire Department Operating Expense	4500.00
Public Safety	50.00
Fire Department Hose and Equipment	1300.00
Water holes	400.00
Hydrant Service	400.00
Fire Station and Town Garage Maintenance	1900.00
Tree, Trim and Planting	1200.00
Combat Dutch Elm	3000.00
Insect and Pest Control	500.00
Wire Inspector	50.00
Sealer, Weights and Measures Salary and Expense	200.00
Dog Officer and Expense	100.00
Civil Defense	100.00
Public Health	5500.00
Nurse and Substitute	3200.00
Expense	75.00
Car Expense	200.00
Inspection of Animals	200.00
Inspection of Meat and Slaughtering	50.00
Highway Superintendent Expense	200.00
Highway Department Sick Leave, Vacation and Holidays	1100.00
Tools for Highway Work	400.00
Snow Removal	9000.00
Highways, Bridges and Railings	3000.00
Highway Bounds, Surveys and Street Listing	100.00
Sidewalks	500.00
Street Lighting	6600.00
Land Damage	100.00
Welfare Board Salaries	275.00
Chairman	125.00
Others	75.00
General Relief	4000.00
Old Age Assistance	17000.00
A.D.C.	3000.00

Disability Assistance		1000.00
Medical Assistance to the Aged		1300.00
Welfare Administration		728.50
Soldiers' Relief		2000.00
School Committee Salaries		300.00
Each Member	100.00	
PVRS Committee Salaries		300.00
Each Member	100.00	
Elementary Schools		142110.00
PVRSD Capital Budget		21336.40
PVRSD Operating Budget		124902.94
Athletic Field Maintenance		400.00
Town Reports		1066.27
Memorial and Veterans Days' Observances		350.00
Fire and Casualty Insurance		6300.00
Town Clock		100.00
Alexander Hall		250.00
Cemeteries		2600.00
Fire Station Bonds Interest		684.00
Maturing Debt		3000.00
Interest		300.00

Article 5. VOTED: That the Town authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as Clerk of the Board under the provisions of Section 4a, Chapter 41 of the General Laws, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$900.00 to pay the salary of such clerk.

Article 6. VOTED: To take up this article later in the meeting.

Article 7. VOTED: To raise and appropriate \$400.00 for the Fire Department to purchase new tires for the Maxim Fire Truck.

Article 8. VOTED: That the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into contract with the Board of Public Works, Division of Highways, for repair and improvement of roads and highways, exclusive of State Highways; and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4950.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highway repair and improvements and that the sum of \$18,150.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement from the State to be restored upon its receipt to unappropriated funds in the treasury.

Article 9. VOTED: That the sum of \$27,000 be appropriated to meet the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Construction; and to meet said appropriation the sum of \$6,750 be appropriated from taxation, and that the sum of \$20,250 be transferred from free cash in the treasury to meet the State's and County's

share of the cost of the work: the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored upon receipt, to the excess and deficiency account.

Article 10. VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000 to meet the Town's share of Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance, and that the sum of \$4000.00 be transferred from unappropriated funds in the treasury to meet the State and County shares; the reimbursements upon receipt to be restored to unappropriated funds in the treasury.

Article 11. VOTED: That the Town transfer the sum of \$7000.00 from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Maintenance Account.

VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1500.00 for the Machinery Maintenance Account.

Article 12. VOTED: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,500 to purchase a new front-end loader and as part payment thereof to trade its existing front-end loader.

Article 13. VOTED: To authorize the Selectmen to dispose of, by sale or otherwise, the old dump body of the Highway Department.

At this time Town Clerk, Horace F. Field, proposed a standing vote of thanks to the following elected officers of the Town who are retiring as of this meeting:

Mr. Clifford A. Field, who took office as Assessor in 1929 and has served for 36 years.

Mr. Paul E. Chamberlain, who has served as Constable for 15 years, having taken office in 1950.

Mr. Robert B. Shearer, retiring Selectman, who, although he has served only one term, has also served faithfully and well.

It was further proposed that this action be written into the record of this meeting.

Article 6. VOTED: That this article be passed over with the recommendation to the Selectmen that it be included in the Warrant next year.

Article 14. VOTED: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the use of the Field Library at Northfield Farms.

Article 15. VOTED: To raise and appropriate \$7100.00 for the operation of Dickinson Memorial Library.

Article 16. VOTED: To appropriate the money received from the County, known as the Dog Fund, for the Dickinson Memorial Library.

Article 17. VOTED: To accept the sum of money from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a grant providing State aid for free public libraries under the provisions of Chapter 760 of the Acts of 1960 and to appropriate the exact sum so received for its public library.

Article 18. VOTED: To accept from the friend and family of Mrs. William P. Stanley, the sum of \$195.00 to be left at interest and only the interest used by the Dickinson Memorial Library to purchase books. This amount to be added to the Stanley Book Fund.

Article 19. VOTED: To take up this article later in the meeting.

Article 20. VOTED: To raise and appropriate \$200.00 to be used to purchase fish to be liberated in the streams of Northfield under the supervision of the Selectmen.

Article 21. VOTED: That the Town accept the provisions of Chapter 486 of the Acts of 1964, relative to certain increases for pensions.

Article 22. VOTED: To raise and appropriate \$1000.00 for repairs and maintenance of the Northfield Museum and Number School House.

Article 23. VOTED: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 for the installation of a new oil burning boiler and controls at the Elementary School, North Building (Old High School), such appropriation to be spent under the direction of the School Committee.

Article 24. VOTED: That the Town adopt the resolution referring to approval of the Home Rule Proposal (House Bill 1384 of 1963, revised).

✓ Article 19. VOTED: That the Town instruct the Selectmen to appoint a committee of seven, residents of the Town, to act as a swimming pool committee, to serve and supervise the operation and maintenance of Schell Pool so long as said Schell Pool shall be made available by the owner or owners thereof, for recreational use by the inhabitants of the Town of Northfield with the power to adopt rules and regulations for the operation of same, including the right to establish and collect charges upon persons using the same, and that the Town transfer from available funds the sum of \$800.00 therefor.

Article 25. VOTED: To pass over this article.

Article 26. VOTED: To transfer from Overlay Reserve, the sum of \$5000.00 for a Reserve Fund for the current year.

Article 27. VOTED: To transfer the sum of \$45,000.00 from un-appropriated available funds in the treasury to be used by the Assessors in determining the 1965 Tax Rate.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 P.M.

ATTEST: HORACE F. FIELD,
TOWN CLERK

TOWN OF NORTHFIELD
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
APRIL 26, 1965

Approximately two hundred inhabitants of the Town of Northfield assembled at the Town Hall in accordance with the foregoing Warrant as posted, to conduct the business of the Special Town Meeting. The meeting was called to order at eight o'clock in the evening by Moderator George M. Leonard. The Invocation was given by Rev. Arthur Green and the Warrant was read by the Town Clerk, with the following action taken:

Article 1. Voted by official printed ballot that the town accept the provisions of Sections sixteen to sixteen I, inclusive, of Chapter seventy-one of the General Laws, providing for the establishment of a regional school district comprising the towns of Ashfield, Athol, Bernardston, Buckland, Charlemont, Colrain, Deerfield, Erving, Gill, Greenfield, Leyden, Leverett, New Salem, Northfield, Petersham, Shelburne, Shutesbury, Sunderland and Warwick, and the construction, maintenance and operation of a regional school by the said district in accordance with the provisions of a proposed agreement filed with the Selectmen. The vote was 128 YES, and 56 NO.

The polls were declared closed at ten o'clock. The results were read by the Town Clerk and the meeting adjourned at ten-thirty P.M.

Attest:

HORACE F. FIELD,
TOWN CLERK

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
DECEMBER 31, 1965

Approximately fifteen inhabitants of the Town of Northfield assembled at the Town Hall in accordance with the foregoing Warrant as posted, to conduct the business of the special Town Meeting. Moderator George M. Leonard opened the meeting at 4:00 P.M. and read the Warrant. The Invocation was given by Rev. Arthur Green. The following action was taken:

Article 1. Voted: That the Town transfer from Available Funds, the sum of \$5,100.00, to establish a Stabilization Fund as provided under the provisions of Chapter 40, Section 5B.

The meeting adjourned at 4:08 P.M.

Attest:

HORACE F. FIELD,
TOWN CLERK

Report of the PLANNING BOARD

We were relieved of the water supply problem when the bill was passed permitting Dean Williams to sell his water company to a water district or the Town of Northfield for a mutually agreed price. A water district has been formed and at this time the water company has been taken over by the district.

We were sorry to receive the resignation of L. Percy Goodspeed who had served so faithfully and well on the board for several years. David Quinn was appointed to take Mr. Goodspeed's place until our next election.

We lost a most valuable member in the death of Edward M. Powell. Mr. Powell was secretary of our board and represented the Planning Board at many conferences. James Dresser has been appointed to fill Mr. Powell's term until election.

The Planning Board was asked by the Selectmen to come up with a by-law that would help alleviate the problem of cattle loose on the highways of Northfield. We had three meetings on the subject and have come up with an article for the Town Warrant.

HAROLD A. NEWTON, CHAIRMAN
DR. RAYMOND KINMOUTH
GERALD BARNES
DAVID QUINN
JAMES DRESSER

Board of Assessors' Report

For the Year Ending December 31, 1965

RECAPITULATION

TOWN APPROPRIATION

(a) To be raised by Taxation	\$463,878.11	
(b) To be raised from Available Funds	55,200.00	
		\$519,078.11

Franklin County District Veterans' Service	1,303.11	1,303.11
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STATE TAX AND ASSESSMENTS:

State Parks and Reservations	1,523.57	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	12.62	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	275.70	
State Assessment System	92.80	
		1,904.69

COUNTY ASSESSMENTS:

County Tax	20,592.99	
County Retirement	3,403.20	
		23,996.19
Overlay of current year		<u>17,685.44</u>

\$563,967.54

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS

Income Tax	\$ 47,057.38
Corporation Taxes	15,500.24
Reimbursement on account of publicly owned land	900.92
Old Age Tax (meals) Chapter 64B, Section 10	2,286.07
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	52,000.00
Licenses	150.00
General Government	700.00
Protection of Persons and Property	350.00
Health and Sanitation	100.00
Charities (other than federal grants)	1,200.00

Old Age Assistance (other than federal grants and M.A.A.)	17,000.00
Veterans' Services	900.00
School (Funds from Income Tax not to be included)	15,500.00
Interest on Taxes	1,500.00
State Assistance for School Construction - Chapter 645, Acts of 1948	1,100.00
Farm Animal Excise	900.00

TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS \$157,144.61

OVERESTIMATES of previous year to be used as available funds:

(a) County Tax	\$ 601.34
(b) State Parks	133.50

Amounts voted to be taken from Available Funds:

Amount	Date of Vote	Source
\$55,200.00	March 2, 1965	Available Funds
\$45,000.00	March 2, 1965	Free Cash
		<u>\$100,200.00</u>

TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDS \$100,934.84

TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS \$258,079.45

NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION ON PROPERTY \$305,888.09

TAX RATE \$33.00

	VALUATION	TAX
Personal Property	\$ 516,150.00	\$ 17,032.95
Real Estate	<u>8,753,185.00</u>	<u>288,855.10</u>
Total	9,269,335.00	
Adjust overlay		.04

TOTAL TAXES LEVIED ON PROPERTY \$305,888.09

TABLE OF AGGREGATES

Number of Persons Assessed	799	
On Personal Property only	54	
On Real Estate only	556	
On Both Personal and Real Estate	189	
Value of Assessed Stock in Trade	\$329,000.00	
Machinery	162,475.00	
Live Stock	3,625.00	
All other Personal Property	21,050.00	
Total Value of Assessed Personal		\$516,150.00
Value of Assessed Real estate:		
Land exclusive of Buildings	\$1,838,910.00	
Buildings exclusive of Land	6,914,275.00	
Total Value of Assessed Real Estate		<u>\$8,753,185.00</u>
Total Value of Assessed Estate		\$9,269,335.00
Tax Rate per \$1,000.00 -	\$33.00	
Taxes for State, County or Town Purposes:		
On Personal	\$ 17,032.96	
On Real Estate	\$288,855.13	
Total Taxes Assessed		\$305,888.09

ABATEMENTS DURING THE YEAR 1965

Levy of	<u>1965</u>	<u>1964</u>
Real Estate	\$4,003.62	\$ 402.80
Motor Vehicles	4,122.48	1294.16
Exemptions	9,304.35	381.60

MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE

Number of Motor Vehicles	1,474
Total Excise on Motor Vehicles	\$ 58,588.20
Total Assessed Valuation	\$1,006,840.00

Motor Vehicle incomplete - Compiled to December 31, 1965

The resignation of Winthrop E. Spencer was accepted by the Selectmen October 11th. On October 24th Robert P. Barnes was appointed to fill the vacancy by the remaining members of the Assessors and the Selectmen. At the meeting of the Assessors on October 29th the Board organized with Robert P. Barnes as Chairman and Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT P. BARNES
ROGER M. GREENWOOD
LEE H. SHELDON
Board of Assessors

Tax Collector's Report

FOR THE YEAR 1965

TAXES FOR 1958

Collected after Abatement		\$2.26
Paid to Treasurer	\$2.26	2.26

TAXES FOR 1959

Collected after Abatement		22.85
Paid to Treasurer	22.85	22.85

TAXES FOR 1960

Outstanding 1-1-65		1,217.03
Abatements	16.04	
Paid to Treasurer	1,200.99	
	1,217.03	1,217.03

TAXES FOR 1961

Outstanding 1-1-65		1,608.51
Refunds		51.97
Abatements	390.75	
Paid to Treasurer	951.56	
Outstanding 1-1-66	318.17	
	1,660.48	1,660.48

TAXES FOR 1962

Outstanding 1-1-65:		
Polls	6.00	
Personal Property	225.40	
Real Estate	1,980.05	
Motor Vehicle	1,068.34	3,279.79
Refunds		36.30
Abatements	478.56	
Paid to Treasurer	2,560.34	
Tax Titles Taken	22.08	

Outstanding 1-1-66:			
Personal Property	13.80		
Motor Vehicle	241.31	255.11	
		3,316.09	3,316.09

TAXES FOR 1963

Outstanding 1-1-65:			
Polls		8.00	
Real Estate		11,892.95	
Motor Vehicle		1,021.40	12,922.35
Abatements	607.50		
Paid to Treasurer	9,680.73		
Tax Titles Taken	60.00		
Outstanding 1-1-66:			
Real Estate	2,357.02		
Motor Vehicle	217.10	2,574.12	
		12,922.35	12,922.35

TAXES FOR 1964

Outstanding 1-1-65:			
Personal Property		185.50	
Real Estate		19,026.99	
Motor Vehicle		3,904.23	23,116.72
Committed after 1-1-65			4,567.20
Refunds			926.17
Abatements	1,696.96		
Tax Titles Taken	63.60		
Paid to Treasurer	17,727.26		
Outstanding 1-1-66:			
Personal Property	52.47		
Real Estate	8,528.73		
Motor Vehicle	541.07	9,122.27	
		28,610.09	28,610.09

TAXES FOR 1965

Farm Animal Levy			1,597.50
Paid to Treasurer		1,597.50	1,597.50

Personal Property Levy		17,032.96
Abatements	6.60	
Paid to Treasurer	16,472.95	
Outstanding 1-1-66	553.41	
	17,032.96	17,032.96
Real Estate Levy		288,891.43
Refunds		1,334.85
Abatements	13,307.97	
Tax Titles Added	643.50	
Paid to Treasurer	249,023.97	
Outstanding 1-1-66	27,250.84	
	290,226.28	290,226.28
Motor Vehicle Levy		58,588.20
Refunds		1,713.98
Abatements	4,122.48	
Paid to Treasurer	53,371.00	
Outstanding 1-1-66	2,808.70	
	60,302.18	60,302.18

Town Treasurer's Report

January 1, 1965 to December 31, 1965

Balance January 1, 1965		\$179,630.36
Receipts for year 1965		594,404.38
Total		774,034.74

Payments per Warrants	\$617,730.84	
Cash on hand December 31, 1965	2,566.09	
Franklin County Trust Company	152,477.81	
Crocker Institution for Savings	1,260.00	
Total		774,034.74

Franklin County Trust Company of Greenfield

Balance December 31, 1965 per statement		178,778.05
Outstanding checks December 31, 1965	26,300.24	
Balance December 31, 1965 per Check Book	152,477.81	
Total		178,778.05

Franklin County Retirement System

Balance January 1, 1965	236.16	
Amount collected in 1965 from members	2,227.17	
Total		2,463.33

Payment to Franklin County Retirement Board in 1965	2,203.11	
Balance December 31, 1965 in Treasury	260.22	
Total		2,463.33

Federal Withholding Tax Statement

Balance January 1, 1965	1,441.09	
Withholding Tax deducted in 1965	16,159.28	
Total		17,600.37

Paid to Collector of Internal Revenue in 1965	16,146.62	
Balance December 31, 1965 in Treasury	1,453.75	
Total		17,600.37

Massachusetts Withholding Tax Statement

Balance January 1, 1965	211.32	
Massachusetts Withholding Tax deducted in 1965	2,529.06	
Total		2,740.38
Paid to Commonwealth in 1965	2,460.53	
Employer's Compensation	33.47	
Balance December 31, 1965 in Treasury	246.38	
Total		2,740.38

Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System

Balance January 1, 1965	0.00	
Amount collected from members in 1965	5,077.13	
		5,077.13
Paid to Teachers' Retirement Board in 1965	5,077.13	
Balance December 31, 1965 in Treasury	0.00	
		5,077.13

Highway Blue Cross & Blue Shield

Balance January 1, 1965	0.00	
Members Payments in 1964	1,122.23	
		1,122.23
Paid to Massachusetts Hospital Service in 1965	1,081.54	
Refunded to transferee	5.11	
Balance December 31, 1965 in Treasury	35.58	
		1,122.23

School Blue Cross & Blue Shield

Balance January 1, 1965	0.00	
Members payments in 1965	2,989.44	
		2,989.44
Paid to Massachusetts Hospital Service in 1965	2,989.44	
Balance in Treasury December 31, 1965	0.00	
		2,989.44

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN B. GORZOCOSKI
Treasurer

LIST OF CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

SOUTH MOUNTAIN CEMETERY		
	Jane E. Holton	100.00
	Claire H. and Alfred D. Montague	100.00
Alice J. Bigelow	\$100.00	<u>100.00</u>
		\$1960.00

WEST NORTHFIELD CEMETERY

Cecil Wilson	\$100.00
Caroline B. Lane	150.00
George W. Snow	200.00
Henry M. Yerrington	100.00
Pennock Fund	100.00
Cora B. Preston and Pitts W. Preston	100.00
S.E.K. Priest	200.00
George F. Witt	100.00
Jane E. Evans	50.00
Warena P. Miller	200.00
Mary E. Bunker	200.00
Edna M. Kelley	150.00
Boyd Palmer	25.00
	<u>\$1675.00</u>

MOUNT HERMON CEMETERY

Henry F. Cutler	\$100.00
Lorimer Drury	100.00
Horace F. Holton	100.00
Alice V. Watson	150.00
Anna Bell McMillan	100.00
Charles T. Sibley	200.00
Lewis Hodus	200.00
Roy R. Hatch	100.00
Joseph S. Castogue	100.00
Charles D. Streeter	200.00
Mary J. and Anna L. Miller	200.00
Marion Fish Giersbach	100.00
Alice Mosse	100.00
S. Douglas and Ruth A. Polhemus	10.00

NORTHFIELD FARMS CEMETERY

James Browning and Robert Washer	\$100.00
Retta R. Barrett	100.00
Ada Chamberlain and Sarah Morgan	75.00
Eva J. S. Clough	200.00
M. Maria Foss	200.00
Ernest C. Field	100.00
Elisa Graves	51.69
Brigham Gage and David Clowes	100.00
Charles L. Gilbert	200.00
George M. Chamberlain	75.00
Samuel A. Holton	200.00
Inez E. Holton	50.00
Elvira A. Morgan	50.00
James and William Merriman	100.00
Henry W. Montague	400.00
Charles C. Morgan	100.00
Samuel Pratt	25.00
Larkin Fisher and Frank and Lucy Rose	50.00
Fred W. Ruggles	100.00
Ashael Sawyer and Alner Sawyer	100.00
Marcellus D. Stratton	100.00
Rufus Stratton and Oren D. Darling	150.00
Elisha and Elihu Stratton	200.00
William H. Stratton	100.00
Mary A. Stratton	100.00

Samuel W. and William G. Slate	100.00
Leroy Wetherhead	75.00
Oscar and Frank V. Wood	50.00
Jennie L. Bascomb	150.00
Herbert Dutton	100.00
Murray Hammond	100.00
Nettie E. Gilbert	300.00
	<u>\$3901.69</u>

CENTER CEMETERY

Nelson and Nettie Spring	\$100.00
Emma Holtnorth	100.00
John F. Rice	100.00
Carpenter Winchester	100.00
Clinton A. Ware	150.00
George R. Stebbins	50.00
Charles Stebbins	100.00
Walter D. Crane	100.00
John E. Nye	100.00
Harvey J. Evans	50.00
Augustus W. Holton	100.00
Thomas Callender	50.00
Johnson Fund	123.06
Mary L. Wright	125.00
M. Bemis and Otis Field	50.00
Charles Blackmer	50.00
Alvin Long	50.00
Isaac Cook and Wright Stratton	100.00
John L. Mattoon	100.00
Levi Fay	150.00
Sarah E. Minot	150.00
James Pickard	100.00
Augusta L. Day	100.00
Elijah Belding	125.00
James White	100.00
Arad Webster and William Billings	500.00
Katherine Gaeng	100.00
Elijah E. Belding	100.00
A. M. D. Alexander	300.00

Charles Alexander and Richard Colton	200.00
Adelaide W. Moody	100.00
Roselle Evans	50.00
Amos Shepardson and Anna S. Preston	150.00
Bessie Moore	100.00
Elizabeth P. Kraft	100.00
Maximilla S. Hachita	100.00
Albert S. Brigham	100.00
George E. Nye	200.00
Dorothy P. Bruce	150.00
Dr. Stratton White and George and William Hastings	300.00
Jessamine W. Polhemus	100.00
William R. Moody	100.00
Mrs. Norman MacGaffin	50.00
Clara B. Torrey	100.00
Herbert E. Robbins	200.00
S. E. Walker	200.00
J. I. Greenleaf	300.00
M. Margaret Laird	100.00
Hezekiah and Elizabeth Stratton	80.00
Hezekiah and Molly Stratton	80.00
Rufus and Asenath Stratton	80.00
William H. Phelps	200.00
Elizabeth M. Purple	200.00
Sarah J. Whithead	50.00
Bessie Severance	100.00
Lewis Fowler	50.00
J. Wesley Mann	100.00
Andrew E. and Arthur H. Lyman	400.00
Edward B. Stearns	50.00
Benjamin Field and Charles Pomeroy	100.00
Charles Osgood	500.00
Louis Frederick Bartlett	100.00
Sherman Nye Bartlett	100.00
Rose A. Holton	100.00

C. D. Merriam and Cornelius Hilliard	300.00	Mary V. H. Slade	125.00
Cora B. Preston and Asa Holton	100.00	Mrs. George Spofford	200.00
Frank and William Piper	100.00	Mary B. Rankin	100.00
L. C. Clapp Lot	100.00	Daniel F. Sutherland	100.00
Hachita Lot	440.00	George N. Kidder	500.00
Samuel and Elijah Merriman	1760.00	Tie-Webster Lot	100.00
		Louis M. Potts	200.00
			<u>\$12538.06</u>

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

On hand January 1, 1965	\$19839.75
On hand December 31, 1965	20174.75

RECEIPTS OF INTEREST

South Mountain Cemetery	4.04
West Northfield Cemetery	65.71
Mount Hermon Cemetery	69.63
Northfield Farms Cemetery	163.12
Center Cemetery	526.65
	<u>\$829.15</u>

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN B. GORZOCOSKI
Treasurer

Treasurer's Report of Trust Funds

NAME	ON HAND Jan. 1, 1965	SAVINGS DEPOSITS	SECURITIES	INTEREST RECEIVED	INTEREST ADDED	TOTAL ON HAND Dec. 31, 1965
Edward D. Priest & Others, W. Northfield Cemetery Fund	\$7292.49	\$7292.49		\$223.06		\$7292.49
James W. Cowles Center Cemetery Fund	2000.00	2000.00		85.90		2000.00
Calvin Stearns Center Cemetery Fund	500.00	500.00		21.48		500.00
Belcher Center Cemetery Fund	2000.00	1000.00	\$1000.00	42.95 Sav. 25.00 Sec.		2000.00
Belcher Center School Fund	1050.00	1050.00		45.10		1050.00
Belcher Library Fund	9439.01	9439.01		387.79		9439.01
Belcher Library and School Fund	500.00		500.00	13.80		500.00
Lottie Evans Worthy Poor Fund	1210.52	1210.52			48.88	1259.40

George F. Morgan Charity Fund	3000.00	3000.00	128.85	3000.00
Surplus Revenue School Fund	1600.00	1600.00	64.64	1600.00
C. P. Dickinson Library Book Fund	3000.00	3000.00	121.20	3000.00
Mary Callender Mt. Hermon Cemetery Fund	500.00	500.00	21.48	500.00
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	16969.24	6969.24	10000.00	\$293.91 Sav. 250.00 Sec. 17513.15
Roselle Evans Worthy Poor Fund	500.00	500.00	21.48	500.00
Maude Montague Library Fund	2009.60	9.60	2000.00	None Sav. 77.50 Sec. 2009.60
C. Ina Merriman Library Fund	3185.92	3185.92	207.45	* 3243.37
Town of Northfield Real Estate Fund	1260.00	1260.00	50.90	1260.00

Northfield Chapter					
D.A.R. Library Fund	100.00	100.00	4.04		100.00
Marina Stanley Library					
Book Fund	500.00	500.00	16.04	**	510.00
TOTALS	\$56616.78	\$43116.78	\$1234.91 Sav. 116.30 Sec. <u>\$1351.21</u>	\$550.24 Sav. 250.00 Sec. <u>\$800.24</u>	\$57277.02

* Includes adjustment for \$150.00 spent from fund in 1965.

** Includes additional \$10.00 given to fund.

Respectfully submitted,
HELEN B. GORZOCOSKI
Treasurer

Finance Committee Report

The Finance Committee authorized the following transfers from the Reserve Fund for the Year 1965:

November 9, 1965

Tree Warden's Account	\$ 250.00
Fence Viewers and Field Drivers	17.64
Water District Legal Expense	10.00
Athol-Franklin Regional Vocational School Legal Expense	289.55

December 17, 1965

Machinery Maintenance	114.36
Highway Department	101.09
Assessors' Expense	145.00

January 5, 1966

Assessors' Expense	19.49
Machinery Maintenance	408.00
Highway Department	68.25
Tax Collector's Expense	4.03
Constables and Special Police	378.40

1805.81

Reserve Fund	<u>5000.00</u>
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Reserve Fund Balance	<u>\$3194.19</u>
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Finance Committee Expense Fund	25.00
Expenses for Year 1965	<u>15.00</u>

Balance	\$ 10.00
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Respectfully submitted,

HARVEY H. HATHEWAY
 CORYS M. HESELTON
 AARON W. NEWTON
 ALBERT W. STOMPE
 VERNAL G. HURLBURT, Secretary
 ALEXANDER KOZLOWSKI, JR., Chairman

Town Accountant's Report

In compliance with the provisions of Chapter 41 of the General Laws,
I submit the following report of the Accountant's Department for the calendar
year ending December 31, 1965, including the source of all receipts, detail
of appropriations and expenditures, statement of trust funds and town debt, and
a balance sheet showing the financial condition of the town January 1, 1966.

ANN P. JAMES

Town Accountant

RECEIPTS

Taxes:

1961 Real Estate		\$603.84
1962 Personal Property	211.60	
Real Estate	1957.97	2169.57
1963 Real Estate		9375.93
1964 Personal Property	133.03	
Real Estate	10413.46	10546.49
1965 Personal Property	16472.95	
Real Estate	249023.97	265496.92

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:

Levy of 1958	2.26	
Levy of 1959	22.85	
Levy of 1960	1200.99	
Levy of 1961	347.72	
Levy of 1962	390.77	
Levy of 1963	304.80	
Levy of 1964	7180.77	
Levy of 1965	53371.00	62821.16

Farm Animal Excise:		
Levy of 1965		1597.50
Accounts Receivable:		
General Relief	490.58	
OAA Adm.	29.79	
OAA	9649.64	
MAA Adm.	13.28	
MAA	5878.80	
ADC Adm.	4.68	
ADC	1154.11	
DA Adm.	1.75	
DA	107.33	
Veterans' Benefits	217.06	
Schools	311.60	17858.62
Aid to Highways:		
State	29593.78	
County	8999.24	38593.02
Federal Grants:		
OAA Adm.	74.73	
OAA	17058.00	
MAA Adm.	36.55	
MAA	12121.50	
ADC Adm.	14.78	
ADC	4665.50	
DA Adm.	4.56	
DA	1223.00	35198.62
Payroll Deductions:		
Federal Withholding	16159.28	
State Withholding	2529.06	
County Retirement	2227.17	
Teachers' Retirement	5077.13	
Mass. Hospital Service (Hwy.)	1053.88	
Mass. Hospital Service (School)	2989.44	
Teachers' Association Dues	198.00	
Teachers' Credit Union	80.00	30313.96
Trust Funds Interest:		
Elisha Alexander Charity	85.86	
George F. Morgan Charity	128.85	
Roselle Evans Poor	21.48	
Starkweather Fund	340.00	

Belcher Center School	50.62	
Belcher Library	396.07	
Montague Library	77.50	
Dickinson Book	121.20	
DAR Book	4.04	
Marina P. Stanley Library	16.04	
PC Center, South Mt., Mt. Hermon Cemeteries	766.51	
PC Northfield Farms Cemetery	163.12	
PC West Northfield Cemetery	297.33	
PC Mary Callender Lot, Mt. Hermon	21.48	
PC Calvin Stearns Lot, Center	21.48	
Surplus Revenue, School Fund	64.64	2576.22
State:		
Loss Of Taxes	900.92	
Meals Tax	2286.07	
State & Co. Income Tax	5264.45	
Business Corp. Tax	13775.69	
School Aid	43517.48	
Transportation	15185.84	
Vocational Tuition and Transportation	967.08	
Library Aid	580.00	
Tuition	57.05	
Education Administration	43.65	
Superintendent of Schools	1832.91	84411.14
Tax Collector's Costs	841.00	
Interest on Taxes	1876.02	
Employer's Fee, State Taxes	33.47	
Rent, Town Hall	636.00	
Rent, Alexander Hall	14.00	
Licenses Granted	172.50	
Sealer's Fee	194.05	
Nurse's Fees	374.30	
Library Fines	260.16	
Dog Licenses	471.75	
County Dog Refund	390.76	
County Dog Officer	274.00	
Wild Cat Bounty	40.00	
Road Machinery Fund	9273.25	
School Lunch	14020.35	
Trust Funds	345.00	
U.S. Bonds Interest	250.00	
Sale of Real Estate Fund Interest	50.90	
Court Fines	340.00	

Gift - Kiwanis Club	105.94
Gift - Village Improvement Society	100.00
Sale of Cemetery Lots	257.00
Title III National Defense Education	224.34
Ina Merriman Library Fund	150.00
Insurance	353.35
Refunds	772.89
George Barden Funds (PVRs)	392.00
Tax Title Foreclosure Costs Collected	23.69
Swimming Pool Receipts	422.25
Health Clinic	82.50
Sale of Fire Damaged Items, School	68.12
Police Accident Report	3.00
Broken Dish, Town Hall	.30
Fire Department Receipts	28.50

Total Receipts	594404.38
Cash on hand January 1, 1965	179630.36

774034.74

RECAPITULATION

	App.	Pyt.	Balance
Moderator	25.00	25.00	
Moderator's Expense	15.00		15.00
Selectmen and Welfare Board	1600.00	1600.00	
Selectmen's Expense	600.00	415.91	184.09
Accountant	1100.00	1100.00	
Accountant's Expense	85.00	85.00	
Legal Expense	250.00	250.00	
Treasurer	1000.00	1000.00	
Treasurer's Expense	450.00	450.00	
Tax Collector	1000.00	1000.00	
Tax Collector's Expense	704.03	704.03	
Assessors	1200.00	1186.11	13.89
Assessors' Clerk	900.00	850.00	50.00
Equalization of Valuation	426.93	426.93	
Town Clerk	550.00	550.00	
Town Clerk's Expense	100.00	100.00	
Election and Registration	1000.00	970.25	29.75
Planning Board Expense	200.00	20.00	180.00
Finance Board Expense	25.00	15.00	10.00
Maintenance of Town Hall	6000.00	5821.49	178.51
Police, Constables, Expense and Equipment	2128.40	2128.40	

Fire Department Salaries	500.00	500.00	
Fire Department Operating Expenses	4500.00	3901.30	598.70
Fire Department Hose and Equipment	1300.00	1207.82	92.18
Tires for Fire Truck	400.00	377.12	22.88
Hydrants	400.00	400.00	
Water Holes	400.00	296.56	103.44
Maintenance of Fire Station and Garage	1900.00	1771.12	128.88
Public Safety	50.00	50.00	
Wire Inspector	50.00		50.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures and Expense	200.00	200.00	
Tree Warden - Trimming and Planting	1450.00	1450.00	
Dutch Elm Control	3000.00	2999.72	.28
Insect and Pest Control	500.00	500.00	
Dog Officer and Expense	100.00	100.00	
Nurse and Substitute	3200.00	3200.00	
Nurse's Expense	75.00	5.57	69.43
Nurse's Car Expense	200.00	167.63	32.37
Inspection of Animals	200.00	169.68	30.32
Inspection of Meat and Slaughter	50.00	25.00	25.00
Highway Superintendent Expense	200.00	199.66	.34
Machinery Maintenance	9022.36	9022.36	
Tools for Highway Work	400.00	397.05	2.95
Front End Loader	11500.00	10423.61	1076.39
Highways, Bridges, Railings	3015.14	2551.01	464.13
Highway Chapter 81	23100.00	23100.00	
Chapter 90 Maintenance	6000.00	6000.00	
Chapter 90 Construction 1964	1265.07	1264.57	.50
Sidewalk Repairs	500.00		500.00
Snow Removal	9000.00	6159.92	2840.08
Street Lights	6600.00	5925.29	674.71
Highway Bounds, Surveys, Plans	100.00		100.00
Welfare Administration	728.50	728.50	
General Relief	4000.00	1611.82	2388.18
Old Age Assistance	17000.00	17000.00	
Medical Aid to the Aged	13000.00	13000.00	
Aid to Families of Dependent Children	3000.00	3000.00	
Disability Assistance	1006.90	1006.90	
Soldiers' Relief	2000.00	1744.20	255.80
School Committee Salaries	600.00	600.00	
Schools	142655.60	138402.80	4252.80
PVRS Capital Budget	21336.40	21336.40	
PVRS Operating Budget	124902.94	124797.47	105.47

Athol-Franklin County Regional			
Vocational School	289.55	289.55	
Dickinson Library	8070.76	8070.76	
Field Library - Northfield Farms	150.00	150.00	
Census of 1965	300.00	300.00	
Town Reports	1066.27	1066.27	
Tax Title Foreclosure Costs	173.69	54.35	119.34
Protection of Tax Title Property	25.00		25.00
Interest	300.00		300.00
Insurance	6300.00	5365.60	934.40
Alexander Hall	250.00	250.00	
Northfield Museum and #4 School	1000.00	997.62	2.38
Town Clock	100.00	96.00	4.00
Land Damages	100.00		100.00
Maintenance Playground and Athletic			
Field	400.00	190.70	209.30
Fish for Stocking Streams	200.00	200.00	
Memorial and Veterans' Days	350.00	257.92	92.08
Fence Viewers, Field Drivers, Pound-			
keeper	67.64	67.64	
Water District Legal Expense	250.00	250.00	
Cemeteries	2600.00	2600.00	
Fire Station Bonds and Interest	3684.00	3684.00	
Unexpended Balances to Revenue			16262.57
Assessors' Expense	564.79	564.49	.30
Highway Sick Leave, Vacations,			
Holidays	1269.84	1269.34	.50
Unexpended Balances to Reserve Fund			.80
Plotting Map for Assessors	819.39		819.39
Boiler, Elementary School	20000.00	19410.63	589.37
Civil Defense	588.77		588.77
Chapter 90 Construction 1965	27000.00	26961.91	38.09
Unexpended Balances to 1966			2035.62
Health	5932.54	5014.90	917.64
Unexpended Balance to 1966			150.00
Unexpended Balance to Revenue			767.64

Refunds on Taxes	1716.45
Refunds on M.V. Excise	2346.82
Tax Collector's Costs	841.00
U.S.G. Administration	500.00
U.S.G. OAA	16312.43
U.S.G. MAA	12162.63
U.S.G. ADC	8217.43
U.S.G. DA	1045.35
State Parks and Reservations	1405.60
State Assessment	92.80
State MV Tax bills	275.70
County Tax	18776.95
County Retirement System	3403.20
Veterans Service Center	1303.11
State Audit	12.62
Dog Licenses to County	471.75
County Dog Officer	274.00
Wild Cat Bounty	40.00
Barden Funds to PVRs	392.00
School Lunch	12804.53
Title III, National Defense Education	93.93
Federal Withholding Taxes	16146.62
State Withholding Taxes	2494.00
County Retirement	2203.11
Teachers' Retirement	5077.13
Massachusetts Hospital Service	4076.09
Teachers' Association Dues	198.00
Teachers' Credit Union Dues	80.00
Gift - Village Improvement Society	135.93
Gift - Kiwanis Club	105.94
Trust Funds to Savings Accounts	345.00
Ina Merriman Fund	150.00
U.S. Bond Interest to Savings Accounts	250.00
George Morgan Charity Fund Interest	114.96
Belcher - Library	327.05
Dickinson - Book	367.92
PC Cemeteries - Center, Mt. Hermon and So. Mountain	652.60
PC Cemeteries - Northfield Farms	100.98
PC Cemetery - West Northfield	356.33
PC Cemetery Lot - Mary Callender	15.00
Swimming Pool	643.00
Total Payments	617730.84
Cash on hand, December 31, 1965	156303.90

774034.74

SELECTMEN'S EXPENSE

Appropriation		600.00
Association Dues	41.00	
Lawyers Co-op Publishing Co.	40.00	
Telephone	105.46	
Clerical	61.41	
Supplies	137.04	
Association Meetings	31.00	415.91
Balance to Revenue	184.09	600.00

ACCOUNTANT'S EXPENSE

Appropriation		85.00
Supplies and Postage	85.00	

TREASURER'S EXPENSE

Appropriation		450.00
Treasurer's Bond	100.00	
Supplies and Postage	169.00	
Association Dues	4.00	
Adding Machine	177.00	450.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S EXPENSE

Appropriation		700.00
Reserve		4.03
Collector's Bond	187.00	
Supplies and Postage	504.98	
Telephone	8.05	
Association Dues	4.00	704.03

ASSESSORS' EXPENSE

Appropriation		400.00
Reserve		164.79
Registry of Deeds	114.65	
Supplies	287.77	
Binding	32.45	
Association Dues	12.00	
Clerical	37.57	
Business Machines Repairs	80.05	564.49
Balance to Reserve	.30	564.79

EQUALIZATION OF VALUATION

Balance from 1964		526.93
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Clerical	526.93	
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TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSE

Appropriation		100.00
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Town Clerk's Bond	10.00	
Supplies	18.00	
Telephone	10.50	
Clerical	49.00	
Association Dues	12.50	100.00

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Appropriation		1000.00
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Elections	198.00	
Regional Vocational School Meeting	33.78	
Registrations	63.75	
Ballots	80.72	
Street Lists	594.00	970.25

Balance to Revenue	29.75	1000.00
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FINANCE BOARD EXPENSE

Appropriation		25.00
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Association Dues	15.00	
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Balance to Revenue	10.00	25.00
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MAINTENANCE OF TOWN HALL

Appropriation		6000.00
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Fuel	1479.65	
Electricity	331.64	
Water	12.34	
Public Safety	35.00	

Supplies	231.03	
Repairs	1507.33	
New Equipment	424.50	
Custodian	1800.00	5821.49

Balance to Revenue	178.51	6000.00
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POLICE, CONSTABLES, EXPENSE AND EQUIPMENT

Appropriation		1750.00
Reserve		378.40

Payroll	1542.40	
Mileage	225.04	
Supplies and Equipment	358.21	
Telephone	2.75	2128.40

FIRE DEPARTMENT SALARIES

Appropriation		500.00
Fire Chief	250.00	
Fire Warden	150.00	
Secretary	100.00	500.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT OPERATING COSTS

Appropriation		4500.00
Mutual Aid	20.00	
Payroll	1901.00	
Telephone Service	399.19	
Repairs and Supplies	1566.56	
Food	14.55	3901.30
Balance to Revenue	598.70	4500.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT HOSE AND EQUIPMENT

Appropriation		1300.00
Hose	1195.92	
Axe Handles	4.00	
Emergency Capes	7.90	1207.82
Balance to Revenue	92.18	1300.00

MAINTENANCE OF FIRE STATION AND GARAGE

Appropriation		1900.00
Fuel	677.98	
Electricity	467.07	
Water	27.72	
Repairs and Supplies	207.22	
Payroll	391.13	1771.12
Balance to Revenue	128.88	1900.00

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Appropriation		200.00
Salary	191.97	
Supplies	8.03	200.00

TREE WARDEN

Appropriation		1200.00
Reserve		250.00
Materials, Supplies, Repairs	215.83	
Hired Machinery	102.00	
Payroll	1132.17	1450.00

DUTCH ELM CONTROL

Appropriation		3000.00
Material and Supplies	71.63	
Hired Machinery	261.00	
Payroll	2658.09	
Dues and Conference	9.00	2999.72
Balance to Revenue	.28	3000.00

INSECT AND PEST CONTROL

Appropriation		500.00
Materials and Supplies	138.66	
Hired Machinery	265.63	
Payroll	95.71	500.00

HEALTH

Appropriation	5500.00	
Refund	68.20	
Balance from 1964	364.34	5932.54
Association Meetings	34.07	
Doctors - Clinics	205.00	
Nurses - Clinics	24.00	
Telephone	2.55	
Vital Statistics	84.00	
Materials and Supplies	225.88	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	3654.00	
Dumps:		
Abalone Pest Control	121.00	
Hired Machinery	616.00	
Payroll	48.40	5014.90
Balance to 1966	150.00	
Balance to Revenue	767.64	5932.54

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT'S EXPENSE

Appropriation		200.00
Association Dues	5.00	
Telephone	109.40	
Postage	6.15	
Supplies	6.11	
Adding Machine	73.00	199.66
Balance to Revenue	.34	200.00

MACHINERY MAINTENANCE

Road Machinery Fund	7000.00	
Appropriation	1500.00	
Reserve Fund	522.36	9022.36
Registrations	15.00	
Repairs and Supplies	6672.40	
Payroll	2334.96	9022.36

HIGHWAYS, BRIDGES, RAILINGS

Appropriation	3000.00	
Refund	15.14	3015.14
Supplies	72.47	
Payroll	2247.04	
Hired Equipment	231.50	2551.01
Balance to Revenue	464.13	3015.14

HIGHWAYS, CHAPTER 81

Appropriation	4950.00	
Surplus Revenue	18150.00	23100.00
Payroll	7802.75	
Town Machinery	5729.35	
Hired Machinery	3517.75	
Material	6041.53	
Advertising	8.62	23100.00

HIGHWAYS, CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

Appropriation	2000.00	
Surplus Revenue	4000.00	6000.00
Payroll	1106.14	
Town Machinery	569.60	
Hired Machinery	45.00	
Material	4267.27	
Advertising	11.99	6000.00

HIGHWAYS, CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION 1964

Balance from 1964		1265.07
Payroll	82.80	
Town Machinery	95.60	
Hired Machinery	775.80	
Material	310.37	1264.57
Balance to Revenue	.50	1265.07

HIGHWAYS, CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION 1965

Appropriation	6750.00	
Surplus Revenue	20250.00	27000.00
Payroll	4267.61	
Town Machinery	2878.70	
Hired Machinery	15297.18	
Materials	4518.42	26961.91
Balance to 1966	38.09	27000.00

SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriation		9000.00
Payroll	3675.31	
Hired Machinery	90.00	
Salt	1529.39	
Sand	857.21	
Supplies	8.01	6159.92
Balance to Revenue	2840.08	9000.00

SCHOOLS

Appropriation	142110.00	
Refunds	545.60	142655.60
Teachers' Salaries	91903.67	
Superintendent's Salary	2420.04	
Clerks	1064.98	
Custodians	6092.47	
Travel	179.50	
Physician	350.00	
Nurse	850.00	
Transportation	19057.98	
Textbooks	1015.91	
Student Supplies	1843.34	
Janitor Supplies	1617.47	
Fuel	3545.07	
Water and Current	2764.31	
Repairs and Maintenance	758.48	
New Equipment	539.57	
Tuition, Vocational Spec. Class, E.P.A.	2466.26	

Special Project	1177.65	
Sundry	377.69	
Telephone	224.68	
Office Supplies	153.73	138402.80

Balance to Revenue	4252.80	142655.60
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DICKINSON LIBRARY

Appropriation	7100.00	
Dog Refund	390.76	
State Library Aid	580.00	8070.76

Payroll	5691.70	
Electricity	237.47	
Telephone	81.82	
Fuel	357.32	
Repairs	63.50	
Water	11.50	
Books and Magazines	1515.01	
Association Dues	17.00	
Field Library	25.00	
Supplies	45.44	
Tree Stump Removal	25.00	8070.76

INSURANCE

Appropriation		6300.00
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Buildings	921.27	
Workmen's Compensation	1672.25	
Collector and Treasurer	487.75	
Fire Department and Constables	1142.01	
Health Department	157.68	
Highway Department	984.64	5365.60

Balance to Revenue	934.40	6300.00
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ALEXANDER HALL

Appropriation		250.00
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Janitor	120.00	
Supplies and Repairs	31.00	
New Rug	99.00	250.00

TOWN CLOCK

Appropriation		100.00
Caretaker	75.00	
Electricity	21.00	96.00
Balance to Revenue	4.00	100.00

PLAYGROUND AND ATHLETIC FIELD

Appropriation		400.00
Payroll	190.70	190.70
Balance to Revenue	209.30	400.00

MEMORIAL AND VETERANS DAYS

Appropriation		350.00
PVRs Bank	50.00	
Speaker	25.00	
Plants	101.92	
Flags	81.00	257.92
Balance to Revenue	92.08	350.00

CEMETERIES

Appropriation		2600.00
Center Cemetery:		
Payroll	2100.30	
Mower	74.50	
Supplies and Repairs	33.66	
Northfield Farms Cemetery:		
Payroll	232.50	
Supplies	17.85	
West Northfield Cemetery:		
Payroll	37.69	
Mount Hermon Cemetery:		
Payroll	103.50	2600.00

PERPETUAL CARE
CENTER, SOUTH MOUNTAIN AND MOUNT HERMAN CEMETERIES

Balance from 1964	90.72	
Receipts	766.51	857.23
CV Railway	5.00	
Water	11.50	
Gas, Oil, etc.	10.90	
Payroll	550.20	
Commissioner's Salary	75.00	652.60
Balance to 1966	204.63	857.23

PERPETUAL CARE, NORTHFIELD FARMS CEMETERY

Balance from 1964	178.37	
Receipts	163.12	341.49
Payroll	90.00	
Gas, Oil, etc.	10.98	100.98
Balance to 1966	240.51	341.49

PERPETUAL CARE, WEST NORTHFIELD CEMETERY

Balance from 1964	297.84	
Receipts	297.33	595.17
Payroll	311.63	
Gas, Oil, etc.	44.70	356.33
Balance to 1966	238.84	595.17

PERPETUAL CARE, MARY CALLENDER LOT, MOUNT HERMON CEMETERY

Balance from 1964	31.04	
Receipts	21.48	52.52
Payroll	15.00	15.00
Balance to 1966	37.52	52.52

GEORGE F. MORGAN CHARITY FUND

Balance from 1964	219.38	
Receipts	128.85	348.23
Charities	114.96	114.96
Balance to 1966	233.27	348.23

BELCHER LIBRARY FUND

Balance from 1964	12.68	
Receipts	396.07	408.75
Payroll	212.50	
Electricity	23.77	
Fuel	50.85	
Telephone	7.15	
Books	14.10	
Supplies	18.68	327.05
Balance to 1966	81.70	408.75

DICKINSON BOOK FUND

Balance from 1964	355.29	
Receipts	121.20	476.49
Books	367.92	367.92
Balance to 1966	108.57	476.49

Balance Sheet, Town of Northfield

For the Year Ending December 31, 1965

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

<u>Assets</u>		<u>Liabilities and Reserves</u>	
Cash	156303.90	Road Machinery Fund	10017.52
Accounts Receivable:		Federal Grants:	
Taxes:		OAA Adm.	168.18
Levy of 1962		OAA	11777.35
Personal Property		MAA Adm.	105.33
Levy of 1963	13.80	MAA	12910.22
Real Estate		ADC Adm.	26,59
Levy of 1964	2357.02	ADC	2900.56
Personal Property		DA Adm.	8.36
Real Estate	52.47	DA	1494.91
Levy of 1965	8528.73		29391.50
Personal Property		Over Estimates:	
Real Estate	553.41	State Parks and Reservations	117.97
Levy of 1966	27250.84	County Tax	1816.04
Personal Property		School Lunch	
Real Estate		Title III National Defense	1934.01
Motor Vehicle and Trailer		Education	1798.23
Excise:		Payroll Deductions:	138.98
Levy of 1961	318.17	Federal Withholding	
Levy of 1962	241.31	State Withholding	1453.75
Levy of 1963	217.10	County Retirement	246.38
Levy of 1964	541.07	Blue Cross-Blue Shield -	260.22
Levy of 1965	2808.70	Highway	
			35.58
			1995.93

Tax Title and Possessions:

Title	9115.76
Possessions	722.88
Aid to Highways:	
State	20138.49
County	8750.00

Village Improvement Society -

Gift	28.74
Sale of Real Estate	1260.00
Sale of Cemetery Lots	2767.12
Stabilization Fund	5100.00
Tailings	361.23

9838.64
28888.49

Departmental:

Old Age Assistance	1906.29
Medical Aid to Aged	2108.93
Aid to Families D. Children	2673.59
Disability Assistance	163.03
Veterans Benefits	537.67
Administrations	16.95

7406.46

Trust Funds - Interest:

Elisha Alexander Charity	1077.25
George F. Morgan Charity	233.27
Roselle Evans Worthy Poor	106.58
Starkweather Charity	510.00
Belcher Center School	302.10
Belcher Library	81.70
Maude M. Montague Library	280.81
Marina P. Stanley Library	19.09
Charles P. Dickinson Library Book Fund	108.57
DAR Book	9.33

Perpetual Care Cemeteries:

Center, So. Mountain, Mt. Hermon	204.63
Northfield Farms	240.51
West Northfield	238.84
Mary Callender Lot, Mt. Hermon	37.52
Calvin Stearns Lot, Center	79.52

3529.72

Overlays Reserved for		
Abatements:		
Levy of 1962	13.80	
Levy of 1963	2231.35	
Levy of 1964	7764.74	
Levy of 1965	4270.87	14280.76
Reserve Fund Overlay Surplus		11212.43
Revenue Reserved until Collec-		
ted:		
M.V. and Trailer Excise	4126.35	
Tax Title and Possessions	9838.64	
Aid to Highways	28888.49	
Departmental	7406.46	50259.94
Surplus Revenue		109058.38
Appropriation Balances:		
Assessors' Map	819.39	
Boiler, Elementary School	589.37	
Civil Defense	588.77	
Chapter 90 Construction,		
1965	38.09	
Health	150.00	2185.62
		<u>\$245320.11</u>

DEBT ACCOUNT	
27000.00	Fire Station and Garage Loan
	27000.00

Net Funded or Fixed Debt

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNT

Trust and Investment Funds:

Cash and Securities:

In Custody of Treasurer
In Custody of Selectmen
In Custody of Trustees

81444.32
2323.00
11050.58

In Custody of Treasurer:

Lottie Evans Charity 1210.52
Roselle Evans Charity 500.00
George F. Morgan Charity 3000.00
Surplus Revenue School Fund 1600.00
Belcher Center School 1250.00
Belcher Library 9739.01
Dickinson Book Fund 3000.00
DAR Book Fund 100.00
Marina P. Stanley Library 510.00
Montague Library 2009.60
Cowles Cemetery 2000.00
Belcher Center Cemetery 2000.00
Calvin Stearns Cemetery 500.00
Mary Callender 500.00
West Northfield Cemetery 7317.49
Perpetual Care Cemeteries 18302.54
Post War Rehabilitation 16719.24
Ina Merriman Library -
Gift 3185.92
Sidney Starkweather
Charity 8000.00 81444.32

In Custody of Selectmen:

Elisha Alexander Charity 2020.00
Flora E. Lane, Center
Cemetery 202.00

Lucretia Holton, West Northfield Cemetery	101.00	2323.00
In Custody of Trustees:		
Martha Alexander Charity	11050.58	11050.58
		<u>\$94817.90</u>

State Auditor's Report

TOWN OF NORTHFIELD
Balance Sheet - March 13, 1965

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets		Liabilities and Reserves
Cash	\$158390.02	Employees' Payroll Deductions:
Accounts Receivable:		Federal Taxes \$634.40
Taxes:		State Taxes 92.86
Levy of 1960:		County Retirement System 89.65
Poll	6.00	Teachers' Retirement System 207.56
		Blue Cross and Blue Shield 148.28
		\$1172.75
Levy of 1961:		
Poll	\$8.00	Agency:
Real Estate	241.29	County - Dog Licenses 5.25
		Collector's Costs 69.00
		74.25

Levy of 1962:				
Poll	6.00		Tailings	361.23
Personal Property	225.40			
Real Estate	1549.35	1780.75	Gift - Village Improvement	64.67
Levy of 1963:			Cemetery Perpetual Care Bequest	50.00
Poll	8.00			
Real Estate	11511.19	11519.19	Trust Fund Income:	
Levy of 1964:			Charity Funds:	
Personal Property	136.21		Elisha Alexander	991.39
Real Estate	12785.35	12921.56	George F. Morgan	164.48
			Roselle Evans	85.10
			Marcy M. Ruggles	
			Starkweather	170.00
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:			Belcher Center School	
Levy of 1960	1211.03		Fund	251.48
Levy of 1961	996.67			
Levy of 1962	1068.34		Library Funds:	
Levy of 1963	1019.66		Belcher Library	12.68
Levy of 1964	4451.90	12681.20	Maude Montague	203.31
Levy of 1965	3933.60		Charles Dickinson	355.29
			D. A. R. Book Fund	5.29
			Stanley Library	3.05
Tax Titles and Possessions:			Cemetery Perpetual Care	650.01
Tax Titles	8326.58			2892.08
Tax Possessions	722.88	9049.46	Federal Grants:	
			Disability Assistance:	
Departmental:			Administration	5.37
Aid to Dependent Children	779.26		Assistance	1347.31
Old Age Assistance	898.87		Aid to Dependent Children:	
Veterans' Services	1058.49	2736.62	Administration	12.79
			Aid	5571.41

Aid to Highways:					
State		2083.38			
Revenue 1965:					
Appropriations Voted	519468.87				
County Retirement					
System Assessment					
Paid	3403.20				
	<u>522872.07</u>				
Deduct:					
Estimated Receipts					
Collected	-8541.83				
Available Funds					
Voted	-100590.76	413739.48			
Due from County - Dog					
Officer's Fees		17.00			
Old Age Assistance:					
Administration				611.09	
Assistance				9989.06	
Medical Assistance for the					
Aged:					
Administration				77.51	
Assistance				12476.12	
School - Public Law					
#85-864, National					
Defense Education				8.57	30099.23
School Lunch Fund					816.92
Appropriation Balances:					
General					468784.98
Overestimates 1964:					
State Recreation Areas				133.50	
Assessment				601.34	734.84
County Tax					
Sale of Real Estate Fund					1260.00
Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund					2585.12
Road Machinery Fund					744.27
Reserve Fund Overlay Surplus					6016.00

Overlays Reserved for Abatements:	
Levy of 1960	6.00
Levy of 1961	249.29
Levy of 1962	1780.75
Levy of 1963	2239.35
Levy of 1964	8146.34
	12421.73

Revenue Reserved Until Collected:	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	12681.20
Tax Title and Possession	9049.46
Departmental	2736.62
Aid to Highway	2083.38
	26550.66
Surplus Revenue	70545.22

<u>\$625173.95</u>	<u>\$625173.95</u>
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DEBT ACCOUNT

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	\$27000.00	Fire Station and Garage Loan	\$27000.00
Trust and Investment Funds:		TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS	
Cash and Securities:		In Custody of Treasurer:	
In Custody of Treasurer	\$75395.90	Charity Funds:	
		Lottie Evans	1210.52
		George F. Morgan	3000.00
In Custody of Selectmen	10323.00	Roselle Evans	500.00

In Custody of Trustees	12714.89	
School Funds:		
Surplus Revenue		1600.00
Belcher Center		1250.00
Library Funds:		
Belcher		9739.01
Charles P. Dickinson		3000.00
C. Ina Merriman		
Dickinson		3185.92
Maude Montague		2009.60
Northfield Chapter		
D. A. R. Book Fund		100.00
Marina Stanley		506.59
Cemetery Funds:		
Belcher Center		2000.00
Mary H. Callender		500.00
James W. Cowles		2000.00
Calvin Stearns		500.00
West Northfield		8942.49
Cemetery Perpetual Care		18239.75 *
Post-War Rehabilitation		
Fund		17112.02
		75395.90
In Custody of Selectmen:		
Elisha Alexander Charity		
Fund		2020.00
Mary M. Ruggles Starkweather		
Memorial Charity Fund		8000.00

Cemetery Perpetual Care
Fund

303.00 10323.00

In Custody of Trustees:
Martha W. Alexander Charity
Fund

12714.89

\$98433.79

\$98433.79

* Includes \$50.00 in General Treasury

Board of Health Report

During the year of 1965 the following reports were received: 15 cases of Scarlet Fever, 13 cases of Chicken Pox, 1 case of Mumps and 21 Dog Bites.

Report of 1 premature infant was received.

The Health Certificates of 17 people were stamped.

Several violations of Public Health laws were investigated and one violator taken to District Court.

The resignation of Marian Billings, R.N., Public Health Nurse, was received with regret. This resignation was effective December 31, 1965. Norma Stearns was employed to fill this position. Mrs. Billings has faithfully served the Town in this capacity for eleven years.

We wish to thank everyone who notifies us of the various problems that arise and require attention.

Respectfully submitted,

DWIGHT P. STEARNS, Chairman

Report of Public Health Nurse

To the Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Northfield:

I herewith submit the Annual Report of my work from January 1, 1965 through December 31, 1965.

This has been a year of clinics. Under the State-sponsored program, diphtheria, pertussis and tetanus shots were offered to all townspeople, relative to age groups. In addition, oral polio vaccine was available for those up to 18 years. The response was disappointing. Clinics were held in the evenings except for school children who were treated during regular school hours. Both basic series and booster inoculations were available in May, July, September and October. A total of 78 infants and 144 adults received immunization.

Through the resources of Kiwanis, Salvation Army, Greenfield Lions Club and private funds, glasses have been provided to needy persons. Several families received dental care at Franklin County Public Hospital Clinic.

The annual Well Child Clinic Conference was held in June with Dr. Leandre Giguere attending. Only thirteen children and parents were present despite publicity and personal calls made to eligible families. Since this is a considerable expense to the town, it might be wise to consider the possibility of discontinuing this service.

Arrangements were made for a boy and girl to attend Greenfield Health Camp. Other children were referred to Salvation Army Camp and Camp Chesterfield through these organizations.

In January 98 pints of blood were collected at the Red Cross Blood Bank. Local nurses and the Public Health nurse assisted.

Appreciation is given the Community Service Committee of Fortnightly, whose members volunteered many hours of work during the year. This committee under leadership of Mrs. Peter Leyden and Mrs. Howard Jones has devoted much time and energy on behalf of community health.

The Congregational and Unitarian Churches have done much to aid worthy families in need of food and clothing.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIAN BILLINGS
(Mrs. Glenn C. Billings)
Public Health Nurse

Dog Officer Report

During the past year twenty-three dogs were picked up. Fifteen of these were boarded the required ten days and destroyed; six were claimed by their owners, and two were given away.

There were several calls regarding dogs which were nuisances and one call to pick up a dog which had been hit by a car.

If each dog owner would put a collar with name plate and license tag on his dog, and if the owner would keep a little closer watch on his dog some of the problems involving stray dogs could be eliminated. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM J. YOUNG
Dog Officer

Report of Fire Chief

The shortage of water in our reservoirs and privately owned water supplies has been a very serious situation to handle. It will continue to be until we have ample rainfall to replenish these supplies or other sources are found to take care of our needs. In every event possible our trucks were filled from brooks rather than taken from our limited supply.

The department answered 71 calls as follows: 1 house fire, 8 chimney, 2 furnace, 1 auto, 4 auto accidents, 6 Mutual Aid, 24 brush fires, 11 dump, 4 for fallen wires, and 10 miscellaneous.

Many thanks to the townspeople for being so very careful in times like these.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD E. WILLIAMS
Fire Chief

Report of Forest Warden

This past year has been unusually hazardous. Most brooks and water holes were dry nearly all summer and showed very little improvement until cold weather came.

We had no serious outside fires. This was due to the true effort of fire prevention by everyone.

The fire department answered calls for 11 dump fires and 24 brush, grassland, incinerator, etc. fires in 1965. The greatest number of fire calls were started from incinerators.

A fire permit is compulsory for ALL outside fires and can be obtained by calling 498-5961; if no answer call Eugene Miller 498-2717 or Philip Mann, Jr. 498-9372.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD E. WILLIAMS
Forest Warden

Civil Defense Director's Report

January 20, 1966

In prior issues of the Town Report, Civil Defense has concerned itself with reporting upon past accomplishments. Because of the seriousness of the world situation at this time, we feel that information on future planning should be this year's theme.

During the past year your community's Civil Defense Unit has been strengthened materially. The local Civil Defense organization is now fully manned. Those assigned to duty with Civil Defense include volunteers and auxiliary personnel appointed under Section 11 (a) of Chapter 639 (State Civil Defense Act), as well as regular personnel of the town government. These assignments were made based on background, training and special skills of the persons involved. An organization of this nature loses much of its value, however, unless all citizens take certain action to prepare themselves and their homes for the advent of a possible nuclear attack.

There is much information available on the subject of individual and home preparedness. Such information can be acquired free of charge by contacting your Local Civil Defense Director. Furthermore, Civil Defense offers courses in Adult Civil Defense Education, Medical Self-Help, Radiological Monitoring and others. These courses are conducted by the State Department of Education and they will consider conducting courses requested by local directors for groups of twenty-five or more.

LOOKING TO THE FUTURE AND COMMUNITY SHELTER PLANNING

The Community Shelter Plan becomes the very foundation of local emergency readiness. At this point, a substantial inventory of fallout shelters have been identified, marked and stocked in the United States. Locally, we have five such shelter facilities with a capacity for 1218 people. The Department of Defense, Office of Civil Defense, Shelter Program, is making orderly progress towards the goal of shelter for each citizen, so located as to be available where needed, whether near his home, school, place of work or elsewhere.

A local Community Shelter Plan will be in the making starting this year with a completion date of June 30, 1968 set by the Federal Government. Accordingly, the Office of Civil Defense will provide the services of planning professionals to assist with the development of our Plan, and a 100 per cent funding for the costs of printing; and, as necessary, for the cost of distributing Community Shelter Plan information material to the public.

This Plan will be developed in a series of six steps as follows:

- STEP I Shelter capability allocation plan.
- STEP II Materials and procedures for disseminating emergency action information to the public, including both (1) dissemination of community shelter planning information upon completion of the Community Shelter Plan, and (2) readiness to repeat dissemination of this information in a period of increased international tension.
- STEP III Identification of shelter deficits.
- STEP IV Procedures for developing shelter in deficit areas, including assignment of specific responsibilities to local government agencies, as well as adoption of the recommended ordinance on incorporating shelter in new public buildings.
- STEP V Planning directive for updating local Civil Defense emergency plans, including assignment of specific responsibilities to local government agencies.
- STEP VI Review of plan by local officials with a view of developing whatever local legislation or executive action is required under state statute or local ordinance officially to adopt or approve the Community Shelter Plan.

When completed, the Plan will enable our local government to give its people information so they may answer such questions as, "Where do I go?" and "What do I do?" in case of nuclear attack.

WHY THE FUSS?

If a nuclear attack were to be made upon the United States all segments of our population and of our economic structure would be affected. To be sure, many would die, especially those within the area of total destruction. A nuclear explosion is accompanied by four destructive phenomena: (1) blast, (2) heat, (3) initial radiation, and (4) residual radiation. The first three are almost instantaneous at the moment of detonation, but the fourth (residual radiation) produces its effects later, longer and over a wider area, and is commonly referred to as radioactive fallout. Then, for those people outside the area of destruction, the hazard is fallout for which there are practical methods of protection. The three basic elements of protection against radioactive fallout are: Distance, Time and Shielding (or Shelter). Distance and

time we are not always able to control; however, all of us can do something about adequate shelter. Shall we start now and face up to a new danger - FALLOUT?

Civil Defense is a community project; therefore, we are asking everyone to cooperate with your local government to the fullest extent possible in making our organization the strong and effective unit we are striving to make it.

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE F. FIELD
Director of Civil Defense

Report of The Mary M. Ruggles Starkweather Memorial Fund

One meeting of the committee was held during the year. At this meeting it was recommended to carry the interest monies over to the next year. The following people represent each parish:

Alvin Scott -	Trinitarian Congregational
Dorothy M. Miller -	First Parish, Unitarian
Harold Carroll -	Northfield Baptist
Thomas Hurley -	St. Patrick's
Lawrence Marcy -	Community Bible

Report of The Schell Pool Committee

1965 was the first year that public bathing at Schell Pool was conducted as a Town project. This worthwhile endeavor was previously supported by several organizations and many public-spirited citizens.

The 3173 swimmers who took advantage of this facility show how well this Town need was met during the 53 days the pool was open. In addition, 12 classes involving 95 children received American Red Cross swimming instruction.

We acknowledge with thanks the privilege the Northfield Inn has extended in permitting the use of its property and the many helpful services it performed.

Respectfully submitted,
PETER LEYDEN, JR.
Chairman

Sealer of Weights & Measures Report

I have inspected the following scales, weights and measuring devices during the year of 1965:

3 Scales over 10,000 lbs. cap.	sealed
1 Scale of 10,000 lbs. cap.	sealed
2 Scales over 100-5000 lbs. cap.	sealed
13 Scales under 100 lbs. cap.	sealed
1 Personal scale over 100 lbs. cap.	condemned
1 Prescription scale	sealed
7 Avoirdupois weights	sealed
6 Metric weights	sealed
3 Vehicle tank trucks	sealed
1 Vehicle tank truck	condemned
21 Gasoline metering pumps	sealed
5 Gasoline metering pumps	adjusted
7 Oil measuring pumps	sealed
7 Kerosene pumps	sealed
1 Wire cordage measure	sealed

The State Department of Weights and Measures has assumed all duties of inspections and sealings in all towns with less than 5000 population. Persons or stores who want to have scales sealed and tested should contact the West Massachusetts Inspector.

Respectfully submitted,
FRANK J. ROCKWELL

Highway Department Report

The Chapter 90 Construction Program for this year was mostly confined again to the Gulf Road.

The road was brought up to finish grade by using all the fill from the Town Gravel Bank. The length gravelled was 1.65 miles of road, of this 1.3 miles was surfaced. Cement posts were added to the finished section of road, plus replacing one culvert. The remainder of the road will be completed next year, which will include the surfacing of 3.5 miles plus all the guard rails to assure safety conditions.

Some of the Chapter 90 Construction monies were put to the replanking of the top deck of the East Northfield Railroad bridge.

The following is a list of major improvements done on Chapter 81. Various jobs were done on all town roads too numerous to mention.

SOUTH MOUNTAIN ROAD

A continuation of last year's work was confined to the east end of the road. Trees were cut, and the road straightened, widened and filled to sub-grade. Three culverts were added for better drainage. Hazardous portions were widened for better drainage and snow removal.

WINCHESTER ROAD

A water problem was solved by installing a drainage basin.

RANDALL ROAD

A 3-foot culvert was installed to replace the stone culvert, which caused road wash-outs. It was widened for better drainage and snow removal.

FOUR MILE BROOK ROAD

The road was widened for better drainage and snow removal.

CALDWELL ROAD

Replaced one culvert and widened a portion of the road for better drainage and snow removal.

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

BIRNAM ROAD

The under-decking of the bridge was finished with a green-lead coating to prevent further rust and corrosion.

MT. HERMON ROAD

Road was surfaced 1.2 miles, with a new type of bituminous concrete. It was also leveled or trued in certain portions.

Different types of drainage problems were corrected on the Chapter 90 Maintenance Roads.

Due to the Town's acquiring the new Hough Payloader, considerable work has been done this year, which otherwise could not be done with such a small operating crew.

I want to thank the residents of Northfield for their splendid help in notifying this department of the hazards that arose on their roads.

I compliment my men also for their wonderful help and co-operation they have given me throughout the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
A. G. WEISSINGER
Superintendent of Streets

Tree Warden's Report

To the Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Northfield:

I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1965.

During the past year 45 large trees and a number of small trees were removed from our streets and highways that were dead and dangerous. Also there were a number of trees that were trimmed of broken or dead limbs for road clearance and blind corners.

TREE NURSERY

This spring 212 trees and 46 Japanese Yews were removed from the town nursery and planted along our streets and highways. The trees were planted as follows: Main Street, Moody Street, Maple Street, School Street, East Street, Warwick Avenue, Parker Avenue, Elm Avenue, Birnam Road, Beers Plain Road, Mt. Hermon Road, East Northfield Road, Gerrish Road, Pierson Road, Pentecost Road, Winchester Road, Lucky Clapp Road, Pine Meadow Road, Cross Road, Murdock Hill Road, South Mountain Road, Gulf Road, Hamilton Drive, Route 63 and also the Town Hall and Fire Station.

Number and species of the trees used are as follows: 52 Norway Maple, 32 Rock Maple, 46 Pin Oak, 14 Little Leaf Linden, 18 European Mountain

Ash, 10 Weeping Willow, 34 Scotch Pine, 6 Flowering Crab, 42 Upright Yews and 4 Spreading Yews.

Through the generosity of the Village Improvement Society a donation of \$100.00 respectively was received. This donation was responsible for the flowers in front of the Town Hall and the Fire Station, using 48 Geraniums, 36 Cascade Petunias, 30 dozen Marigolds and 40 dozen Salvia.

This fall there were 300 tulip bulbs planted in front of the water fountain and also in front of the Town Hall.

Due to the drought that we had in 1965 we had several times to water the young trees and also the large number of trees that we planted.

I had to call on the Finance Board for extra funds; with this money we mulched, trimmed, staked and mice-proofed our trees. We removed 6 large hazard trees and also removed several broken limbs.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Finance Board, the town-people and the Northfield School for Girls for their splendid cooperation. Again I want to extend a special thanks to the Village Improvement Society for their donation.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH S. BILMON
Tree Warden

Report of the Moth Superintendent

During the year of 1965, 200 diseased Elm Trees were removed and burned. There were 144 samples taken and sent to the Shade Tree Laboratories for culture. A total of 216 trees were found positive and they should be removed and burned before April 1, 1966. These trees are located as follows:

84 Northfield
40 East Northfield
64 West Northfield
28 Northfield Farms

GYPSY MOTH

We scouted along the New Hampshire and Vermont state line and found very few Gypsy Moth egg clusters. The clusters that we found were not big infested areas.

JAPANESE BEETLE

There were only 25 gallons of 9% D.D.T. Emulsion used to combat Japanese Beetles. The last three years have been a big improvement in controlling the Japanese Beetles.

POISON IVY

During 1965 we did not use any Herbicide to control Poison Ivy, due to the fact that we had so many complaints about the mosquitos and blackflies. Most of the time and money was spent on the mosquitos and blackflies. We used 175 gallons of 6% D.D.T. Emulsion. We have purchased Herbicide, and during the year 1966 we hope to get back on the Poison Ivy program.

In 1965 we have used only 25 gallons of 9% D.D.T. Emulsion and 175 gallons of 6% D.D.T. Emulsion to compare to the year of 1964 when we used 80 gallons of 9% D.D.T. Emulsion and 359 gallons of 6% D.D.T. Emulsion. I am hoping that the Elm Leaf Beetle and the Japanese Beetles do not have a big build-up so we can use this lower rate of pesticide or even lower.

As of February 1, 1965, by law, all Tree Wardens and Moth Superintendents and those who apply pesticides to land of others shall be licensed. I was required to take the examination and I am happy to report that I passed the exam January 22, 1965.

Mr. Cecil W. Blair, District Supervisor, and his crew from the Department of Natural Resources assisted us in taking down some of the diseased Elm Trees. They were here for ten days.

I want to thank Mr. Blair and his crew from the Department of Natural Resources for cutting down the trees and Mr. Malcolm A. McKenzie and his men from the Shade Tree Laboratories for helping out on taking Dutch Elm Samples. My appreciation is extended to the Western Massachusetts Electric Co., New England Telephone Co. for their cooperation. I also want to thank the citizens of Northfield, men of the Tree Department and also the men of the Highway Department for their splendid cooperation in helping me to carry out the various programs.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH S. BILMON
Moth Superintendent

Cemetery Commissioner's Report

In addition to the normal maintenance, including the seeding and landscaping of all of the Northfield Cemeteries, further repairs were made to the stones at the Center Cemetery and some painting was done at the West Northfield Cemetery.

Expenditures may be found in the report of the Town Accountant. We wish to report the following receipts:

From William I. Barnes	
For Lot #34 in Northfield Farms Cemetery	\$ 25.00
From Mrs. Alice A. Mosse	
For Lot #53 in Mt. Hermon Cemetery	15.00
For perpetual care of same	100.00
From Roger W. Greenwood	
Balance due on Lot #114 in West Northfield Cemetery	10.00
For Lot #175 in West Northfield Cemetery	25.00
From Leon A. Randall	
For Lot #197 in West Northfield Cemetery	25.00
From the Estate of Jane E. Holton	
For Perpetual Care of Charles Barton Holton Lot in the Mt. Hermon Cemetery	100.00
From Raymond E. and Marion E. Akley	
For Lot #120 1/2 in West Northfield Cemetery	15.00
From L. Douglas and Ruth A. Polhemus	
For Lot #56 at Mt. Hermon Cemetery	15.00
and Payment toward Perpetual Care of same	10.00
From Andrew R. Stacy	
For Lot #248 in West Northfield Cemetery	25.00
From Boyd B. Palmer	
For Part Payment toward Perpetual Care Lot #89 in West Northfield Cemetery	25.00
From Philip M. and Marie D. Mann	
For Transfer of Title for Lot #22 1/2, Center Cemetery	2.00

From Claire H. Montague	
For Lot #41 in Mt. Hermon Cemetery	25.00
For Perpetual Care of same	100.00
From Marion L. McIntire	
For Lot #250 in West Northfield Cemetery	25.00
From Hartley L. and Flora M. Bosworth	
For Lots #167 and #168 in West Northfield Cemetery	50.00
From Mary J. Russell	
For Lot #33 in Northfield Farms Cemetery	25.00
From Marjorie W. Prescott	
For Lot #57 in Mt. Hermon Cemetery	25.00
From the Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Lombard	
For Perpetual Care of Lot #292 1/2 in Center Cemetery	100.00

Respectfully submitted,

OWEN STACEY
WALTER R. CLARK, JR.
HORACE F. FIELD
Cemetery Commissioners

Department of Veterans' Service Report

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Northfield, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is a report of the activities of the Department of Veterans' Services of the Central Franklin County District and the Veterans' Benefits Department of the Town of Northfield for the year 1965.

SUMMARY OF CONTACTS

1. Active Service Problems	18
2. Bonus	2
3. Compensation	86
4. Death Benefits	171

5. Discharges	77
6. Education	12
7. Employment	148
8. Finance	584
9. Housing	13
10. Insurance	144
11. Legal	71
12. Loans	39
13. Medical	523
14. Notarizations	16
15. Pension	557
16. Photostats	5629
17. Recordings	21
18. Selective Service	102
19. Social Security	75
20. Taxes	357
21. Veterans' Benefits	5716
22. Vital Statistics	145
23. Unclassified	442
Total Contacts	14948

The figures above represent contacts for all the former servicemen and women in the various communities comprising the district.

The Veterans' Benefits Department of the Town of Northfield provided financial assistance to three families representing 11 persons during the year 1965. Two of these cases were of a temporary nature while the other was classified as permanently in need of supplemental aid. The expenditures for the year amounted to \$1776.62 and it is anticipated that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts will reimburse the town in the sum of \$888.31 in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 115 as amended, Massachusetts General Laws.

Respectfully submitted,

TOWN OF NORTHFIELD

By Homer L. Gamelin
Director of Veterans' Services

Northern Welfare District

To: Northfield Board of Public Welfare
From: L. R. Stark, Director, Northern Franklin Welfare District
Subject: Annual Report on Public Assistance for 1965

During the year 1965 the District Welfare Office in Bernardston continued to administer Public Assistance for the Northfield Board of Public Welfare. Northfield's share of the cost was \$1228.50.

There was no general cost of living increase in grants during the year but all Old Age Assistance grants were increased \$5.50 per month for leisure time activities. Federal participation is \$54.00 per month in Old Age Assistance, \$46.50 per month in Disability Assistance, \$20.50 per person in Aid to Families with Dependent Children and 50% of the cost in Medical Assistance for the Aged. The State also reimburses a part of the cost in all categories.

There was a total of forty-five cases in all categories being aided at the beginning of the year and fifty-three at the end of 1965. Total assistance payments for the year were about \$13500.00 higher than in 1964. Old Age Assistance and General Relief were lower but Aid to Families with Dependent Children, Disability Assistance and Medical Assistance for the Aged were higher.

There was one appeal during the year.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Minimum grants were increased to \$71.50 per month for recipients living with relatives and \$91.50 for all others without other resources. Depending on the needs of the individual, these grants ranged upward to \$157.00 per month plus medical needs.

At the beginning of the year twenty-six persons were being aided at a cost of \$2346.00 per month exclusive of medical needs. At the end of the year there were twenty-seven on the rolls with a regular monthly payment of \$2383.00. Additional payments for medical needs averaged \$500.00 per month during 1965. Total assistance payments were about \$5600.00 lower than the previous year.

Four applications were received during the year and all were approved for assistance. Three cases were closed, of which two were transferred to Medical Assistance for the Aged and one moved to Vermont.

No Old Age Assistance liens were released during the year, but one new lien was recorded.

AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Four cases with nine children were being aided at the beginning of the year at a cost of \$593.00 per month plus medical needs. Four new applications were received and assistance was approved in all cases. One case was closed after moving to another town, leaving seven cases on the rolls with sixteen children at the end of 1965, with regular monthly payments of about \$850.00. Cost in this category increased about \$6850.00 from the previous year.

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Two persons were being aided at the beginning of the year. Three new applications were made and all were aided. Two cases were closed when one became self-supporting and the other died, leaving three persons on the rolls at the end of 1965. Costs in this category were some \$1250.00 higher than the previous year.

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE AGED

There were eleven Medical Assistance for the Aged cases on the rolls at the beginning of the year of which six were in nursing homes. Four additional applications were processed, all of which were approved for assistance. There was one closing because of death leaving fourteen on the rolls at the end of 1965, of which six are patients in nursing homes. Cost in this category increased about \$11850.00 from the previous year.

GENERAL RELIEF

Two cases were being aided at the start of the year. Eight applications were made during the year and assistance was given in seven cases. Seven cases closed during the year after six became self-supporting and one was transferred to Aid to Families with Dependent Children, leaving two cases receiving aid at the end of 1965. Cost in this category decreased about \$800.00 as compared with the previous year.

NORTHFIELD

WELFARE DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES 1965

CATEGORY	AVAILABLE FUNDS			TOTAL PAYMENTS	UNUSED BALANCE	DISTRIBUTION OF COSTS		
	Town Approp. & Refunds	Prev. Balance	Federal Reim. 1965			Receipts	State	Net Northfield Cost
						Federal		
O. A. A.	17039.45	10992.33	17058.00	33312.43	11777.35	17058.00	11555.93	4698.50
M. A. A.	13000.00	12951.35	12121.50	25162.63	12910.22	12121.50	7987.73	5053.40
A. F. D. C.	3023.25	6429.24	4665.50	11217.43	2900.56	4665.50	3505.69	3046.24
D. A.	1006.90	1317.26	1223.00	2052.25	1494.91	1223.00	270.36	558.89
G. R.	4000.00	0	0	1611.82	2388.18	0	490.58	1121.24
Adm.	728.50	677.84	130.62	1228.50	308.46	130.62	66.45	1031.43
TOTAL	38798.10	32368.02	35198.62	74585.06	31779.68	35198.62	23876.74	15509.70

Dickinson Memorial Library Report

Residents of Northfield who have served as members of the Board of Trustees of the Dickinson Memorial Library for the year 1965-1966 are as follows: Mrs. Jean P. Hatheway as chairman; Mrs. Lillian G. Wells as secretary; Mr. Luman A. Barber as treasurer; Mr. William H. Hawley as chairman of the Book Committee; Mrs. Dorothy C. Miller and Mr. John C. Trumbull.

On January 4, 1965, at a joint meeting of the Selectmen and the Library Trustees, Mr. Trumbull had been elected to serve until the 1965 Town Meeting in March in place of Mr. Donald Q. McColleston who was legally required to resign from the Board upon changing his residence from Northfield to Mount Hermon.

At the annual Town Meeting on March 1, 1965 Mrs. Miller and Mr. Barber were each elected to serve another three-year term. Mr. Trumbull was elected for one year to fill out Mr. McColleston's unexpired term and was appointed to serve on the Book Committee. At the organization meeting of the Board on March 3rd it was voted that the position of chairman of the Committee on Plan and Property would be discontinued, the supervision of building and grounds to be carried by Mr. Barber.

The Trustees have been saddened by the recent death of Mrs. Harold T. Stetson, who had long been interested in the Library and had served as substitute librarian for the past three years.

On May 24th the Trustees were pleased to extend use of the second floor assembly room to the Kiwanis Club for its regular monthly meeting. Mr. Trumbull read clippings pertaining to history of the Library and Mrs. Hatheway explained details of the Library budget. Mrs. Cook, librarian, and Mrs. Lavender, assistant librarian, took the group around the building, explaining the equipment on the main floor and the several collections and exhibits in the hall above.

The major improvement in the Library this year has been the purchase of a new card catalog cabinet, with the Merriman Fund.

Again the Trustees take this opportunity to call attention to the fact that the smooth functioning of the Library, which provides such a valuable service to the community, is in large part due to the quietly efficient performance of the staff.

Respectfully submitted,

JEAN P. HATHEWAY, Chairman
LILLIAN G. WELLS, Secretary

Librarian's Report

Circulation of books and magazines:	
Adult and Juvenile	27817
State Bookmobile	2613
Inter-Library loan	<u>45</u>
Total	30475
Books added by purchase and gift	774
Books withdrawn	537
Total number in circulation	16084
Books borrowed from the State Bookmobile:	
Dickinson Library	1884
Other parts of Town	<u>510</u>
Total	2394
Books borrowed by teachers for school use	1307
Books on loan to State Bookmobile	120
Fines turned in to Town Treasurer	\$235.66

I extend my thanks to the good friends who have given books and magazines to the Library during the past year. Outstanding among the gifts is a set of Erdman's Commentaries on the New Testament and two magazine subscriptions.

As usual, during January and February, weekly classes in the use of the card catalog and in the use of reference books were held in the Library for pupils of Grade Six.

One afternoon last summer the Library was visited by Miss Allison of Fitchburg, Massachusetts. Miss Allison is the grand-daughter of Elijah M. Dickinson who gave the Library building and for whom it is named. Miss Allison was well pleased with the way in which the building is maintained and with the book collection.

National Library Week was observed from May 3-8 as "no fine" Week. Children's books, withdrawn from the collection, were sold for ten cents each, and the proceeds used to buy new books for the children. Mobiles, posters and shadow-boxes were exhibited by the pupils of the Elementary School. Exhibits by individuals featured various handicrafts.

Again this year members of the Garden Club have provided fresh flowers in the Library.

During November and December a weekly story hour for young children has been held in the Library. The readers are members of the World Outreach Committee at the Northfield School.

Respectfully submitted,

EVANGELINE C. COOK
Librarian

Annual Report

of the

Town of Northfield

Schools



Athol Franklin Regional Vocational School Planning Committee Report

The Athol-Franklin County Regional Vocational Technical School Planning Committee reorganized after the October 26, 1964 vote with 20 towns: Ashfield, Athol, Bernardston, Buckland, Charlemont, Colrain, Deerfield, Erving, Gill, Greenfield, Leyden, Leverett, New Salem, Northfield, Petersham, Royalston, Shelburne, Shutesbury, Sunderland, and Warwick. The proposed curriculum and apportioned costs were revised for the anticipated enrollment.

Early in 1965 the Royalston committee withdrew from the planning committee to join with a study committee in the Fitchburg-Gardner area. On February 16, 1965 a new agreement was signed by committee members from the remaining nineteen towns. While the agreement was being approved by bond counsel, School Building Assistance Commission, the Commissioner of Education and the Emergency Finance Board, preparations were made for a vote on the formation of a regional vocational school district April 26, 1965. Attempts to schedule the vote during annual town meetings failed due to the law which said the question must be voted in all nineteen communities within a 30-day period.

Eighteen towns voted to establish a regional vocational school district in the April 26th vote. In a conference with School Building Assistance Commission, bond counsel, vocational education and members of the General Court steps were taken to validate the action of the 18 towns notwithstanding the fact that Gill had voted not to join the district. Governor Volpe signed into law on June 22, 1965, House Bill 4016 which officially established the Athol-Franklin County Regional Vocational Technical School District.

At the organization meeting July 8, 1965 Mary E. Warner of Sunderland was elected Chairman, Alvin Cole of Athol - Vice Chairman, and Arthur York of Greenfield - Secretary. Meetings are held the first and third Thursday of each month at 8:00 P.M. at the Greenfield Vocational School.

Compilation of a proper budget, interviewing and screening architect and superintendent-director candidates, and determination of the best available site for the school have provided a busy agenda for the remainder of 1965. Educational specifications will be written early in 1966 and the architect and superintendent-director will prepare plans for committee approval. It is hoped

that ground will be broken in late summer 1966 and vocational-technical facilities will be available to all our youngsters and adults in September 1967.

Robert Vanlderstine - Ashfield
 Virginia Pryor - Athol
 Alvin B. Cole - Athol
 Norman Roberts - Athol
 Rev. James M. Mockler - Bernardston
 Dana Rittall - Buckland
 Gerald T. Raymond - Charlemont
 Kenneth W. Avery - Colrain
 Frederick G. Clark - Deerfield
 Leo Cordery - Erving
 James L. Hanley, Jr. - Greenfield
 Peter J. Sullivan - Greenfield

Herbert M. Darling - Greenfield
 Arthur K. York - Greenfield
 Kenneth Williams - Leverett
 Sherman Gray - Leyden
 Ward M. Hunting - New Salem
 Frank J. Rockwell - Northfield
 Cyril Ellis - Petersham
 John H. Schultz, Jr. - Shelburne
 Margaret Randall - Shutesbury
 Mary E. Warner - Sunderland
 Albert Alden, Jr. - Warwick

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

ATHOL-FRANKLIN COUNTY REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Expenditures Through Warrants of December, 1965

1000 ADMINISTRATION	Appropriation	Expended	Balance
1100 School Committee			
1100-00-1 Legal Services	\$1500.00	\$206.00	\$1294.00
1100-00-2 Treasurer's Salary	312.50	312.50	00.00
1100-00-2 School Committee Clerk	800.00	362.24	437.76
1100-00-5 Treasurer's Supplies	00.00	11.60	(11.60)
1100-00-6 School Committee Expenses			
Postage	50.00	115.18	(65.18)
Travel Expenses	650.00	651.32	(1.32)
Photo Copies Land			
Deeds	00.00	10.00	(10.00)
1200 Superintendent's Office			
1200-00-1 Bank Service Charges	00.00	1.08	(1.08)
1200-00-5 Office Supplies	150.00	256.89	(106.89)
1200-00-6 Contingency (Unforeseen)	1500.00	00.00	1500.00
4000 OPERATION & MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT			
4130 Utilities			
4130-00-6 Telephone	200.00	159.95	40.05

5000 FIXED CHARGES

5200 Insurance Program

5200-00-6	Treasurer's Bond	50.00	26.00	24.00
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5300 Rental of Land & Buildings

5300-00-8	Rental, Office Space	250.00	250.00	00.00
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7000 ACQUISITION OF FIXED ASSETS

7300 Acquisition of New Equipment

7300-00-8	Office Equipment	215.00	752.52	(537.52)
		<u>\$5677.50</u>	<u>\$3115.28</u>	<u>\$2562.22</u>

School Committee Report

ORGANIZATION FOR YEAR 1965

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Elizabeth Bolton, Chairman	Term expires 1968
Brian Overdorff, Secretary	Term expires 1966
Frank J. Rockwell	Term expires 1966
Alfred Montague deceased, March 1965.	

Meeting of the School Committee

The regular meetings of the School Committee are held on the second Wednesday of each month except July and August at 8:00 P.M. at the Center School.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

F. Sumner Turner
Dartmouth A.B. - Harvard M. Ed.
Boston University - University of Massachusetts
Office Pioneer Valley Regional School Tel. 498-2757

SCHOOL SECRETARIES

Madelyn J. Page
Helen Mahoney

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN
F. Wilton Dean, M.D.

SCHOOL NURSE
Marian C. Billings, R. N.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Schools open January 3, 1966	Close February 18, 1966
Schools open February 28, 1966	Close April 15, 1966
Schools open April 20, 1966	Close June 17, 1966
Schools open September 7, 1966	Close November 23, 1966
Schools open November 28, 1966	Close December 23, 1966
Schools open January 3, 1967	Close February 17, 1967

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee and the Citizens of Northfield:

I am pleased to present herewith my eighteenth annual report dealing with the progress made in the public schools during the year 1965. This is the 229th report on public education in the Town of Northfield.

ENROLLMENTS

The grade assignments were continued in the same fashion as last year, namely: a kindergarten meeting with half of the youngsters in the morning and the other half of the youngsters in the afternoon and two sections of each grade. The enrollment by grade and section was as follows as of December 23, 1965:

Kindergarten	40
Grade one	51
Grade two	47
Grade three	43
Grade four	48
Grade five	39
Grade six	50
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The enrollment of the various rooms was as follows:

Kindergarten (Smithers)	40
Grade one (Bolton)	25
Grade one (Thomas)	26
Grade two (Doolittle, Glabach)	21
Grade two (North)	26
Grade three (Stebbins)	21
Grade three (Wahlstrom)	22
Grade four (Sheldon)	23
Grade four (Kaufhold)	25
Grade five (Parker)	20
Grade five (Barry)	19
Grade six (Weston)	25
Grade six (Miles)	25
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At the moment, the enrollment figures have dropped off. However, Route 91 is nearing completion and this will make a great difference. The American people are most mobile and in some areas four out of five families move every five years. In the meantime, these ideal size classes should be exceedingly well taught. A visit to our school will show just that!

TEACHERS

Once again our teacher turnover was at a minimum. Mr. Ernest Moran resigned to accept the teaching-Principalship of the Bernardston Elementary School. Mr. Moran was a fine teacher and we wish him the best of luck in his new venture.

Mr. Edmund F. Weston of Ayer, Massachusetts was elected to teach grade six and to be Assistant Principal. Mr. Weston is a graduate of Keene State Teachers College and has some twelve years of experience. Once more we have a veteran corps of teachers.

Mrs. Barbara Doolittle was granted a leave of absence until February 31, 1966. Mrs. Jessie Glabach, former teacher in Leyden, has filled in in an admirable fashion. Thus at all levels we expect good teaching.

On March 22, 1965 all Northfield was shocked and saddened by the sudden death of Alfred D. Montague. Although he had served as School Committeeman only a little more than a year, he had fully demonstrated his interest and keen sense of responsibility for the educational possibilities of our town. Likewise, he was anxious to be responsive to civic needs. He will be long remembered and greatly missed.

To his wife, Clare, and family we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS

The Committee is maintaining its policy of redecorating two or three rooms each year. This year three rooms and the teachers' room in the south building were painted. A cabinet with cupboard was installed in the teachers' room. Best of all was the installation of an automatic oil fired boiler in the north building. Only those who have worked in that building can testify as to the great help this improvement can and will make.

CAFETERIA

For nearly twenty years Mrs. Minnie Huber was our cafeteria manager "par excellence". More than a generation of people have looked forward to

a hot lunch each day planned by Mrs. Huber. We will miss Mrs. Huber but wish her much happiness in her retirement. Mrs. Esther Clough has taken over Mrs. Huber's duties and with the aid of Mrs. Mildred Aldrich and Mrs. Agnes Caron is providing a fine menu each day. This year 42,776 student type "A" lunches, 1,773 adult lunches and 13,918 additional bottles of milk were served.

CURRICULUM

Each year we try to replace one set of text books. This means that each major subject comes under full review every five or six years. This past year a committee of teachers selected for use this last September "Our English Language" series as provided by the American Book Company. This new English text seems to be working out very well.

Shortly, a study of the science text will be made by a group of teachers. It is hoped that a decision can be made for September delivery.

SUPERVISORS

During the summer Miss Phyllis Drew left the Union to be nearer Boston and a different type of work. For five years Miss Drew had developed fine classes in vocal music and will be greatly missed. Mrs. Gloria Gancarz has taken over the Vocal Music Supervisors work and has made a very fine beginning.

Mr. August Mello, continuing as Art Supervisor, can be proud of his work in Union #18 and Pioneer Valley Regional School.

The instrumental music program continues to flourish under the guidance of Mr. Eugene Gancarz.

WILLIS REPORT

The Educators of our state are greatly disappointed at the slow implementation of the "Willis Report". It is hoped that this progress will be speeded up in the very near future. Also, the lack of funds as provided by the state is another bottleneck to progress.

REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL

By an act of the Legislature the Athol-Franklin County Regional Vocational Technical School came to be a fact. This was a fine educational step forward for Franklin County. This school with its specialized facilities and faculty will be able to offer a specialized type of education so badly needed by certain groups of our pupils. In addition, it will be able to serve the needs

of academic graduates and the many individuals who seek retraining because of automation and other changing economic situations. This school, in no way, should be in competition with the normal procedures of the academic secondary school. Each school should, in its offerings, complement the work of the other so that our pupils can better fit themselves for the more and more complex future.

PHYSICAL FITNESS

Strange as it might seem there are more ill-coordinated children in our country towns than anywhere else in the country. Probably we take too much for granted. The President's program of Physical Fitness should have a real part in our program. Mr. Edward Forbush is giving a couple of hours a day to a beginning of Physical Education in our elementary grades. This is just a start on the problem. It is now planned to start a full time program in the grades, kindergarten to six, in physical fitness in the fall.

REGIONALIZATION OF GILL SCHOOLS

Last year the Town of Gill appointed two committees to study the needs of grades 7-12 in Gill and to ascertain the possibilities of regionalization of Gill with either the Town of Montague or with Pioneer Valley Regional School. The Massachusetts School Building Assistance Commission has made it plain that no assistance will be forthcoming unless regionalization is on the 7-12 basis. It is most evident that, at the present time, grade seven and eight taught in single rooms will lack the proper facilities and the proper teaching. Gill is most fortunate to have two teachers who from experience are doing a fine job, but good replacements are not available.

These two committees have been working most diligently, and I hope that in the not too distant future a vote can be taken that will solve the problem of the three schools involved. If the Town of Gill voted to request admission to the Pioneer Valley Regional School, I would, without reservation, recommend that the four member towns accept the request. This move would be of great advantage to Pioneer Valley Regional School and to the four member towns that support it. There is neither the time nor space here to fully discuss the problem. There will be hearings and discussion groups and I hope that everyone will fully acquaint himself with the facts before he votes. I will list but a few of the advantages to Gill and Pioneer:

1. Equal representation of all towns.
2. Similarity of towns in reference to needs and objectives.
3. Pioneer is facing expansion and with added numbers from Gill would be able to modernize the facilities in every respect.

4. The greater tax base on which to spread the costs of building and operation.
5. The greater curriculum that would come with the increased student body and the increase of student participation.

Detailed figures and plans will be presented and explained as the study continues.

FINANCES

In 1965 the cost of public education in Northfield was \$137,857.20 and Northfield's share of the Pioneer Valley Regional School was \$162,445.45 making a total of \$300,302.65. The reimbursements paid to the town was \$57,891.98 and Northfield's share of the reimbursements paid directly to Pioneer Valley Regional School was \$32,959.59 making a total of \$90,851.57 leaving a net cost to the town of \$209,457.08. This means a per pupil cost of \$345.69.

The reimbursements for the following year are estimated as follows:

Chapter 70 as amended 1948	\$38,692.37
Vocational tuition	649.91
Vocational transportation	153.50
Superintendent's salary and travel	2,634.05
Interest, School surplus fund	64.64
Transportation	15,185.84
Special Class	348.00
	\$57,728.31

The following pages will give you a more detailed report of the activities of our schools. These reports are worth your study once again. I wish to thank the School Committee, School Personnel, parents, friends and students for their splendid cooperation and untiring efforts to make our school top flight. It is always a pleasure to work with such fine folks.

Respectfully submitted,

F. SUMNER TURNER
Superintendent of Schools

Report of the School Organization

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated
Paul C. Deacon	Principal	Tufts University, B. A. Boston University, M. Ed.
Madeline A. Smithers	Kindergarten	Boston University, B. A. Hartford Seminary Foundation, M. A. * Leslie College
Ruth W. Bolton	Grade 1	Fitchburg Normal School * University Extension
Dorothea B. Thomas	Grade 1	Keene Teachers College * University of Vermont * University Extension * Springfield College
Jessie Glabach	Grade 2, substitute	North Adams Normal School * Boston University
Barbara F. Doolittle	Grade 2	Pembroke College, B. A. * Central Connecticut State College
Ruby North	Grade 2	Bay Path Institute * Greenfield Commercial School
Ruth Stebbins	Grade 3	* Fitchburg Normal School Lowell Teachers College, B. S.
Marion Wahlstrom	Grade 3	Framingham State Teachers College, B. S. * University of Chicago * Boston University * Harvard-Boston University Extension * State of New York Extension * University of Massachusetts Michigan State College, B. S.
Allison K. Kaufhold	Grade 4	
Catherine Sheldon	Grade 4	* University of Massachusetts Fitchburg Normal School * University of Massachusetts

Evelyn H. Parker	Grade 5	N. Adams State Teachers College, B.S.E.
Janet S. Barry	Grade 5	* Boston University No. Adams Normal School
Edmund F. Weston	Grade 6	* No. Adams State Teachers College Keene State Teachers College, B.Ed. * Plymouth State Teachers College * Arizona State College * University of N.H. * Fitchburg State Teachers College
Judith Miles	Grade 6	No. Adams State Teachers College, B.S.E.
Marian C. Billings	Nurse	* Michigan State University Franklin County Public Hospital, R.N.
August C. Mello	Art Supervisor	Massachusetts College of Art, B.S., M.A.
Gloria Gancarz	Music Supervisor	Boston University, B.M.
Eugene Gancarz	Instrumental Music Supervisor	Boston University, B.M., M.M. *University of Massachusetts
		* Additional courses

SCHOOL CUSTODIANS

William Ross

Norman Holloway

SCHOOL LUNCH

Mrs. Esther Clough

Mrs. Mildred Aldrich

Mrs. Agnes Caron

Mrs. Minnie Huber, Retired, March, 1965

SCHOOL COMMITTEE FINANCIAL REPORT

	Appropriated 1965	Expended 1965	Recommended 1966
1000 Administration	4,178.00	3,924.57	5,833.00
2000 Instruction	97,081.00	94,923.73	102,149.00
3000 Other Services	20,096.00	19,722.94	21,796.00
4000 Operation and Maintenance	19,040.00	16,283.91	18,647.00
7000 Acquisition of Fixed Assets	400.00	535.79	800.00
9000 Programs with Other Schools	1,315.00	2,466.26	3,575.00
Totals	142,110.00	137,857.20	152,800.00

NET COST OF SCHOOLS 1965

Expenditures (Elementary School)	137,857.20	
Expenditures (Northfield's share P.V.R.S.)	162,445.45	300,302.65
State of Massachusetts, reimbursements to be paid to Town of Northfield:		
Chapter 70 as amended 1948	38,692.37	
Vocational tuition	642.08	
Transportation	15,185.84	
Vocational Transportation	325.00	
Supt. Salary and Travel	2,634.05	
Interest, School Surplus Fund	64.64	
Special Class	348.00	57,891.98
Reimbursement paid to P.V.R.S., Northfield's share		<u>32,959.59</u>
		90,851.57
Net cost of education		\$209,451.08

STATE AID AND NET COST OF EDUCATION

Year	Total Costs	Reimbursements	%	Net Cost	Pupils	Cost per Pupil
1958	178,311.24	63,572.89	35.6	114,738.35	538	213.27
1959	188,590.69	75,055.69	39.7	113,535.13	538	211.03
1960	204,678.46	76,081.24	37.1	128,597.22	550	233.81
1961	212,576.00	73,705.19	34.7	138,870.87	545	254.81
1962	233,965.23	75,719.14	32.4	158,246.09	582	271.90
1963	260,551.97	78,528.80	30.1	182,023.17	601	302.86
1964	278,088.76	85,656.90	30.8	192,431.86	616	312.49
1965	300,302.65	90,851.57	30.2	209,451.08	606	345.62

NORTHFIELD SCHOOL LUNCH

Net Worth January 1, 1965		\$1,150.60
Cash Balance		\$ 38.78
Receipts:		
Sales to students	\$8,309.00	
Milk	323.40	
Sales to adults	567.90	
U.S.D.A. Claims Recd.	4,451.12	
Other	144.33	13,795.75
Total Cash		13,756.97
Disbursements:		
Food	6,276.26	
Labor	5,826.80	
Other	542.67	12,645.73
Cash balance		1,111.24
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U.S.D.A.	825.88	
Inventory	119.76	

Net worth December 31, 1965 \$2,056.87

CENSUS REPORT October 1, 1965

	Boys	Girls	Total
Between ages 0 and 5	70	77	147
Between ages 5 and 7	51	39	90
Between ages 7 and 14	166	170	336
Between ages 14 and 16	71	66	137
Totals	358	352	710

ENROLLMENT BY GRADES - October 1, 1965

Grade	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Boys	26	26	24	22	25	19	24	166
Girls	16	26	23	21	23	20	25	154
Total	42	52	47	43	48	39	49	320

RESIDENT ENROLLMENT

	Boys	Girls	Total
Northfield School for Girls		17	17
At Home	4		4
Pioneer Valley Regional School	142	140	282
Austine School		1	1
Brandon	1		1
Pennsylvania	1		1
Hinckley School	3		3
Greenfield Special	1		1
Bement	1	1	2
Esterbrook Academy	1	1	2
St. Michaels - Brattleboro	1	2	3
Mount Hermon	15		15
Greenfield Vocational	3		3
Maine		1	1
Wilton, N.H.	1		1
New Salem Academy	1		1
Mahar Regional	1		1
	<u>176</u>	<u>163</u>	<u>339</u>

REPORT OF THE ATHLETIC FIELD

Appropriation		\$400.00
Expenditures:		
Maintenance of Grounds, Contracted Services	190.70	
Maintenance of Grounds, Supplies	0.00	190.70
Balance		\$209.30

Report of the Principal

TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND THE NORTHFIELD SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

It is with genuine pleasure that I submit this my fifth annual report.

For the first time in several years our September enrollment showed a decrease over preceding years. During the fall we have had a slight influx but the mobility of our students has not been as great this year as it has been in the past.

Our teaching staff witnessed two changes. Mr. Moran, a sixth grade teacher here for the past seven years, resigned to become teaching-Principal in Bernardston. Since Mr. Moran had also served as the Assistant Principal for the last four years our association was very close. His help and assistance was greatly appreciated. Mr. Moran was succeeded by Mr. Edmund Weston, a native of New Hampshire and a graduate of Keene Teachers College. He has done graduate work at Fitchburg State College and has taught some ten years on the elementary, junior high and high school levels. Our other teaching change came in the second grade where Mrs. Barbara Doolittle had been granted a leave of absence. She has been ably replaced by Mrs. Jessie Glabach of Leyden. Mrs. Doolittle hopes to return about March 1, 1966.

In the realm of curriculum three changes have been noted. Our reading program has been broadened to include grade 3. This program is based on a child's ability to read and not necessarily on a child's grade level. Secondly, after much study and discussion we have also included our math program in a similar plan to our reading. The third important change came in the adoption of a new Language Arts program which we initiated in September.

Again this year we were fortunate in having six student teachers from U. M. with us for an eight-week training session during April and May. They were Miss Linda Carlson and Miss Elaine Ricci assigned to Mrs. Bolton and Mrs. Thomas respectfully; Miss Robin Levine with Mrs. Stebbins; Miss Linda Pratt under Mrs. Sheldon; Mrs. Carolyn Green working under Mrs. Parker (Mrs. Green was subsequently hired to teach in Warwick) and Miss Margaret McDonald with Mr. Moran.

We were all saddened by the retirement in March of Mrs. Minnie Huber who had served as our cafeteria manager for nearly twenty years. She has been replaced by Mrs. Harold Clough who had worked as assistant cook for the past eight years.

We also received with regret the resignation of Mrs. Marian Billings as school nurse. This comes after eleven years of faithful service.

Of course, one of the biggest events of the year came in September when the newly installed boiler in the north building was "fired up". After several years of planning and consulting, the old coal boiler was removed and a new oil system was installed. Thus far the system is working well and with the exception of a few minor problems is exceeding expectations.

May I take this opportunity to thank all those involved, teachers, parents, school committee and Mr. Turner, for making this past year one of the most successful since I have come to Northfield.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL C. DEACON
Principal

Report of the Music Supervisor

To the Superintendent of Schools and Northfield School Committee:

This being my first report as Union #18 Music Supervisor it can cover only those musical activities since September, 1965.

The children from Center School have enjoyed their singing experiences due to the enthusiastic efforts and cooperation of the classroom teachers. Much is being done in the way of note reading, the basic music skills, in addition to rote singing and the many songs for pleasure.

It has been a gratifying experience to have 96 youngsters from grades IV through VI join the Elementary Chorus because they wanted to sing. This Chorus participated in the annual Christmas Concert at the Pioneer Valley Regional School and also at their own Christmas program in Center School.

Respectfully submitted,

GLORIA GANCARZ
Music Supervisor

Report of Instrumental Music

To the Superintendent of Schools and Northfield School Committee:

Forty-three students are currently enrolled in the instrumental music program. Nineteen of these students are in their second year of instrumental music study. The remaining twenty-four are first year students.

A weekly lesson is given to each of these groups. Additional instruction is given whenever needed either before or after school.

Youngsters take part in school assemblies, special community programs and prepare themselves for the more diversified music program at Pioneer.

Working with these young people has been a source of great satisfaction. Parental cooperation in getting students to school for before-school rehearsals has been splendid.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE GANCARZ
Director Instrumental Music

Report of the Art Supervisor

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Northfield School Committee:

I submit herewith my third annual report as Union Art Supervisor.

The primary, intermediate, junior and senior high school classes worked on a varied selection of art assignments. The projects were designed to develop aesthetic awareness, promote creativity and physical dexterity in the use of the hands. Also stressed was the use of different media and their application in various phases of art work.

This year a weekly visit was made to the kindergarten classes. The children responded enthusiastically when introduced to classroom art assignments, and their work was very satisfactory.

Through their excellent cooperation the classroom teachers have helped to make the art program successful.

Respectfully submitted,
AUGUST C. MELLO
Art Supervisor

Report of the School Physician

TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND THE NORTHFIELD SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

During 1965 the usual physical examinations were given to the elementary school pupils. Most of the examinations were performed in September, except for the children in the kindergarten, most of whom were examined at the pre-school examination in the spring. The steady decrease in the number of defects found at these examinations which has been evident for the past few years continues, I am happy to report. Carious teeth is the commonest defect found. In general the health of the pupils is excellent.

This fall there have been a few cases of chicken pox, mumps, and scarlet fever, but no serious epidemic has disrupted school. Both this fall and last spring clinics were held at the Elementary School for inoculations against tetanus, whooping cough and diphtheria as well as polio. These were mostly booster shots but a few had the three basic inoculations of triple vaccine. It is nice to know that the majority of the children are now protected against tetanus, whooping cough, diphtheria and polio.

Respectfully submitted,

F. WILTON DEAN, M. D.
School Physician

Report of the School Nurse

TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND THE NORTHFIELD SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

I herewith submit my annual report as school nurse. One hundred forty-one students were examined by Dr. Dean in the fall with the assistance of the nurse. Poor teeth were responsible for the majority of medical defects. As usual, notices were sent to all parents of pupils where any irregularity was noted.

Pre-school clinic in May was attended by 33 children accompanied by parents. Physical exams were completed by the school physician. Parents and children were invited to meet the kindergarten teacher and Girl Scouts directed the visitors to the classroom. Coffee was served by PTA members.

Routine procedures of weighing each child has been completed and results entered on school health cards. All pupils were started on the dental health program. Hearing tests, using the State-recommended Audiometer, discovered only a few children who suffer from a hearing loss. Parents were notified in each case.

Kiwanis Club again supplied toothpaste and brushes for those attending kindergarten. These are dispensed by the nurse accompanied by a demonstration as to the proper method of brushing one's teeth. This program is immensely popular with the children and makes a great impression.

Three immunization clinics were held at Center School in conjunction with the state sponsored program. Diphtheria, pertussis and tetanus shots were available according to age groups as well as oral polio vaccine. A final tally shows 294 children took advantage of this opportunity with parental permission. These youngsters are completely protected from the above diseases. A few more are undergoing immunization at the present time.

Arrangements were made for indigent families to receive necessary medical care. A number of needy children are enrolled at orthopedic, dental and speech clinics.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIAN C. BILLINGS, R.N.
School Nurse

Pioneer Valley Regional School District Report

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mr. Charles W. Llewelyn, Chairman	Northfield
Mr. William E. Field, Jr., Vice Chairman	Bernardston
Mrs. Carolyn Parenteau	Northfield
Mr. Frank Rockwell	Northfield
Mr. Wendell E. Streeter	Bernardston
Mrs. Anna Wilcox	Bernardston
Mrs. Marion Zimmerman	Leyden
Mrs. Dorothy Howes	Leyden
Mr. Harold Johnson	Leyden
Mr. Lloyd V. Freitag	Warwick
Mr. Howard Keith	Warwick
Mr. Charles A. Morse	Warwick

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the Pioneer Valley Regional School Committee and the Citizens of Bernardston, Leyden, Northfield and Warwick:

I am pleased to present the ninth annual report of the operations and accomplishments of the Pioneer Valley Regional School.

This year the enrollment has mounted to 572 as of December 31, 1965. When planning this building its rated capacity was 550. As you see, we have now exceeded that figure. We are using spaces for classrooms that were never so designed. We are using the cafeteria and, at times, the library, for study halls. The guidance waiting room, art room, music room, home economics room are being used for classrooms. There are many other adjustments that have had to be made.

You are well aware that Regional Planning Committees have been formed, both in Gill and Montague. The question at hand is should Gill regionalize with Pioneer Valley Regional School District or Montague? As at Pioneer, Montague must build additional school facilities. This problem cannot in either Town remain unsolved much longer.

If Gill should join with Pioneer Valley Regional School District, it would increase our needs for more school facilities. However, with the addi-

tional tax base to work upon, it would mean that Gill would be paying for their share and there would be little if any increase to the other member towns. Furthermore, we must not forget that we must build some for ourselves. The students that Gill would bring would increase our school to more effective levels. A school of 750-1,000 is recognized as the most efficient unit.

I strongly urge every citizen to attend hearings and meetings and acquaint himself with all the facts before voting.

I highly recommend that Gill ask Pioneer Valley Regional School District the privilege of belonging to Pioneer Valley Regional School and that Pioneer Valley Regional School District grant that privilege.

I also urge that all haste possible be used that we may relieve these many problems that now exist.

CHANGES IN TEACHING PERSONNEL

Withdrawals

Mrs. Helen E. Atwood	June, 1965
Mr. Robert C. Avakian	June, 1965
Mr. Frank W. Gadbois	June, 1965
Mrs. Jacqueline L. Marino	June, 1965
Mr. Ronald M. Richard, Jr.	June, 1965

Appointments

Miss Karen Clark	September, 1965
Mrs. Patricia M. Conroy	September, 1965
Mr. William G. Conroy, Jr.	September, 1965
Mrs. Helen B. Gorzocoski	September, 1965
Mr. Samuel J. Lussier, Jr.	September, 1965
Mrs. Jeanne L. Mitchell	September, 1965
Mr. Richard J. Martin	September, 1965

Returned from military service

The educational backgrounds and assignments of these new teachers may be found in the list of the faculty.

The rug braiding and hooking was the only Evening Practical Arts Course to materialize. It is most difficult to obtain certified teachers in these subjects that our groups want. There has also been a lively women's physical education class.

Again I invite you to read the reports of the various departments of our school for further details of the total operation.

The achievements and activities of Pioneer Valley Regional School are too many and varied to make a listing here. I wish to express my appreciation to all those who have in any way made this record possible.

I wish to thank the School Committee, School Personnel, Parents and Students for their hearty cooperation throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

F. SUMNER TURNER
Superintendent of Schools

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL

Annual Report of the Principal - 1965

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee:

Herewith I submit my ninth annual report as principal of Pioneer Valley Regional School.

Enrollment

Our enrollment continues to grow and our need for classroom space becomes more critical each year. There are periods in the school day when several areas are used as academic classrooms that are not conducive to good study situations. The need for additional classrooms is very urgent.

We realize that the Town of Gill has a very important decision to make soon. We sincerely hope that a decision may be made within a few months so that the problem of our district committee in determining the type and number of classrooms will be clearer. We have enjoyed the twenty-three Gill students who are members of our student body. They have added much to our school and we feel that we have much to offer them. We also feel that the Town of Gill would be wise in voting to join with the other four towns of Union #18 as part of the Pioneer Valley Regional School District.

Curriculum

Our curriculum committee is constantly attempting to improve the course offerings so that they will meet the needs of our student body. Without

the necessary classroom space this is difficult. Only the more pressing needs are being cared for at present. This year a half-year course in Economics followed by a half-year course in Business Law was added for business students and general course students needing additional credits which were not available in the program of studies previously offered. It became necessary to drop the Writing Course and Advanced Literature course previously offered to college preparatory students. This has been absorbed by and combined with the usual English course for college preparatory seniors. This became necessary because of a lack of rooms and teacher time.

The present enrollments by subjects in the high school classes are:

English 9	98	Algebra II	35
English 10	96	Geometry	50
English 11	80	Advanced Math	22
English 12	81	Business Math 9	20
Speech 9	98	General Math 9	25
Speech 10	96	Refresher Math 12	15
Latin I	33	Agriculture 9 & 10	18
Latin II	18	Agriculture 11 & 12	13
French I	48	Industrial Arts 9	7
French II	29	Industrial Arts 10	9
General Science	58	Industrial Arts 11	4
Biology	94	Industrial Arts 12	2
Chemistry	40	Mechanical Drawing	7
Physics	19	Senior Glee Club	40
Physical Science	20	Senior Band	72
Government	38	Art	29
World History	61	Homemaking 9	30
U. S. History	80	Homemaking 10	16
Prob. of Democracy	81	Homemaking 11	17
World Geography	17	Homemaking 12	15
Algebra I (Trad)	25	Typing I	96
Algebra I (Mod)	50	Typing II	30
Office Practice	13	Economics	21
Bookkeeping I	39	Phys. Ed. (boys)	All
Bookkeeping II	19	Phys. Ed. (girls)	All
Shorthand I	23	Driver Education	31
Shorthand II	11		

The class enrollments as of December 1, 1965 were:

7P	32	7V	32	7R	31	7S	17	Total	112
8P	29	8V	26	8R	30	8S	17	"	102
9P	30	9V	29	9R	29	9S	10	"	98
10P	27	10V	29	10R	32	10S	8	"	96
11P	28	11V	19	11R	23	11S	10	"	80
12P	16	12V	30	12R	28	12S	7	"	81
									Total 569

Outstanding Changes

Several outstanding changes were made during the past year which, hopefully, will benefit the school, its program, and the students.

For the first time the subjects taken by students in grade nine will count toward requirements for graduation. These changes will not affect the present three upper classes. As a result of this change students must obtain at least 15 credits to become a sophomore; thirty-five to become a junior; fifty-five to become a senior; and at least eighty credits to graduate.

Major changes in rules of eligibility for participation in all extra-curricular activities were proposed and recommended by the faculty and adopted by the school committee. These rules simply stated are that a student must not receive any E's in major subjects and must not receive below a 1.5 average to be eligible to participate in any of the activities considered to be extra-curricular in nature.

After a period of several years in which our students were admitted free of charge to all athletic events, it was voted to charge regular rates to all who attended these games. This was necessary because of the increasing cost of administering the athletic program and particularly of financing the transportation costs.

Department heads were appointed for all departments where three or more teachers were in a department. Department heads appointed were:

English -	Mrs. Yeager
Science -	Mr. Callahan
Social Studies -	Mr. Trumbull
Mathematics -	Mr. Dyer
Business -	Mrs. Young

The department heads have certain assigned duties and responsibilities in relation to their departments and collectively, with representatives of the other departments, constitute the Curriculum Committee.

Commencement Program

The Baccalaureate services were conducted in the auditorium on Sunday, June 6, 1965. The message was delivered by the Reverend Andrew Wissemann of St. James Church in Greenfield. His most inspiring talk was entitled "What God Expects". The opening prayer was by Rev. James Mockler; the lesson was delivered by Rev. William H. Smith; and the closing prayer by Rev. Ralph Marino.

Graduation was held for the first time in the gymnasium on Friday, June 11, at 8:00 P.M. This change of location enabled the students to invite as many of their relatives and friends as they wished to the graduation ceremonies. Many fine comments on the arrangements were made by the graduates, parents, and townspeople. Future graduations will be conducted in the gym. The program was as follows:

Processional: "God of Our Fathers"	Class of 1965
Pledge of Allegiance	Audience
Invocation	The Rev. Harold Tallman
Welcome	Lloyd Szulborski, Pres., Class of 1965
Honor Essay: "Hold Fast Your Dreams"	Marcia Townsend
Honor Essay: "The Age of Leisure"	Betty Deane
Songs	Glee Club
"You'll Never Walk Alone" - Rogers and Hammerstein	
"No Man Is An Island" - Whitney and Kramer	
Address	Dr. Eugene Wilson
	Dean of Admissions, Amherst College
	"And Now What"
Special Awards	Prin. George M. Leonard
Gifts of the Class of 1965	Lloyd Szulborski
Awarding of Diplomas	Supt. F. Sumner Turner
Class Song	Words by Margaret Chula
Benediction	Rev. Charles B. Bentley
Recessional "Pomp and Circumstance"	Class of 1965

The class officers and class roll were as follows:

President	Lloyd Szulborski	
Secretary	Christine Zehnter	
Treasurer	Mary Glabach	
	Barbara Jeanne Amidon	Ralph Clayton Browning
* Andrew David Baker	Patricia Louise Barber	Barbara Jean Calcari
Thadd Wright Bistrek	Alane Helen Black	Harriet Florence Chamberlin
		* Margaret Jean Chula
		* Calvin Merriam Clark, Jr.

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| Judith Ann Coates | Gardner Franklin Merritt |
| * Betty Eileen Deane | Dale Frederick Merz |
| Sharon Rosemary Der | Shirley Marie Morgan |
| Michael Alden Edson | John Harry Mroczek |
| Dennis Earl Estabrook | * Cola Richard Nelson, Jr. |
| Sally Anne Farrar | Donna Louise Newhall |
| Betty Jean Field | * Constance Eileen Newton |
| Janice Arlene Flagg | Norman Bruce Phelps |
| William Louis Forrest, Jr. | * Robert Richard Raymond |
| * Sally Ann Foster | Linda Elizabeth Scott |
| Susan Frances Fowler | * Suzanne Theresa Sevene |
| Henry Starr Franklin | Jeanne Margaret Shearer |
| Lance Hine Fritz | Donald Lovell Slocum |
| Mary Louise Glabach | Merton Louis Small |
| Harry Lester Glazier | David Harold Smith |
| Daniel James Goodwin | Beverly Ann Snow |
| Paul Omer Hadsel, Jr. | Marie Ann Sobieski |
| Christine Ann Holmes | Albert Niles Stone |
| Wesley Raymond Hutchinson, Jr. | Donna Lee Sullivan |
| Gloria Jean Joslin | * Lloyd Joseph Szulborski |
| Wayne Howard Keith | Mary Elizabeth Tenney |
| Karen Anne Kennedy | Robert Kenneth Thurber |
| * Cynthia Margaret King | * Marcia Jane Townsend |
| Sharon Ann Koshinsky | Linda Louise Tubbs |
| Jo Ann Mary Krejmas | Ethel Lois Walker |
| Robert Rodney Krug | Barry Richard Webber |
| David Allen LaBelle | * Cheryl Anne Whitney |
| * Susan Mae Leonard | Ronald James Wickey |
| Kathleen Louise Livingstone | Cynthia Jeanne Wilder |
| Mary Anna Catherine Luciw | Linda Judy Wood |
| Linda Belle Merrifield | Walter Thomas Wozniak |
| | Christine Bernadette Zehnter |

* Member of National Honor Society

Awards and Scholarships

Emily C. Jenness Awards (Bernardston):

Character - Marcia Townsend

Best In English - Betty Deane

Isaac B. Snow (Two highest ranking students from Bernardston):

Highest Scholastic Standing - Cola Nelson

2nd Highest Scholastic Standing - Marcia Townsend

George A. Warner - Donald Slocum

Special Athletic Awards:

All around - Lloyd Szulborski
Volleyball - Mary Anna Luciw
Class Award - \$100. - Donald Slocum
Readers Digest Award - Cola Nelson
Warwick Community Scholarship \$200. - Paul Hadsel
D. A. R. Good Citizen Award - Marcia Townsend
Bausch & Lomb Award - Cola Nelson
Student Council Awards - Cola Nelson and Marcia Townsend
Leyden PTA Scholarship Award \$100. - Andrew Baker
Northfield Kiwanis Scholarship \$100. - Constance Newton
Pioneer Valley Union Teachers' Association Scholarship (2 @ \$150.)
Margaret Chula and Constance Newton
Pioneer Valley Regional P.T.A. Scholarship (2 @ \$250.)
Lloyd Szulborski and Margaret Chula
Bernardston Men's Club Scholarship \$100. - Cola Nelson
John Philip Sousa Award - Thadd Bistrek
Hampshire Basketball League Scholarship \$100. - Lloyd Szulborski

Chosen Careers

The class of 1965 has distinguished itself by 25% going on to 4-year colleges and 61% going on to further educational opportunities. The graduating class of 72 students is divided as follows:

4-year college	18
3-year college	1
2-year college	8
2-year Technical Schools	2
1-year school	1
Greenfield Community College	13
School of Nursing	1
Working and attending evening courses	2
Armed Services	6
Working	13
Married	4
Post Graduate	1
At home	1
Deceased	1

It is interesting to note the large number who are attending Greenfield Community College. With each passing year, this educational institution is playing a much greater role in the training of our graduates for which we are most appreciative.

Evaluation

In accordance with a requirement of the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, a two-year progress report was made on the recommendations of the visiting committee. This report of progress was made to the appropriate committee. They approved the report submitted and expressed their pleasure with the improvements and changes made. A further report will be required in another three years. The committee has offered its services in relation to any additions to the building which we will make during the next few years.

In Conclusion

The successful and smooth operation of a school and its educational program depends upon the united cooperation of the administration, faculty, service personnel, students, parents and friends. We have been most fortunate in having fine cooperation from all these groups for which we are most thankful. It is fitting that special thanks be given to Miss Evelyn Lawley who has kept the registers for our school through the first eight years of its existence - even after her retirement. This was a "labor of love" for her with her only reward being an opportunity to serve the school and to keep in touch with the students and faculty. We regret that her health keeps her from continuing. The registers are now kept by Mrs. John Trumbull in the office.

It is quite evident that today's economic world is becoming more and more competitive. Only those who are prepared to meet the complexities of an ever-expanding business and social life will be successful. This requires a more serious attitude on the part of students. This cannot be done by the school alone. Parents must cooperate fully. Only by visiting the faculty for conferences, attending P.T.A. meetings, and consulting often with the guidance department and administration can a full understanding of a student's progress be made. We invite and implore parents to visit school often in the best interests of their children's progress.

In conclusion, may I again express my personal thanks to Mr. Turner, the school committee, faculty, my secretary, Mrs. Trumbull, my assistant Mr. Callahan, all service personnel, the students, parents and friends for their cooperation and assistance during the past year. Through our united efforts our school continues to make progress.

Sincerely,

GEORGE M. LEONARD
Principal

REPORT OF SCHOOL FUNDS

STUDENT FUNDS

Balances on hand January 1, 1966

General Fund	\$505.48
FFA	130.36
Student Council	1094.08
Class of 1966	2392.23
Class of 1967	784.40
Class of 1968	997.64
Class of 1969	285.03
Class of 1970	58.17
Band	324.18
Journalism	700.52
Glee Club (deficit)	409.75
Pep Club	274.27
Art Club	23.25
Camera Club (deficit)	22.83
National Honor Society	39.88
Gym Club	118.70
French Club	31.55
Public Relations	43.06
Future Teachers of America	4.50

Athletic Account - 1965

Balance on hand January 1, 1965 (corrected)	\$373.55
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Receipts:

Admission to basketball games	708.35	
Season tickets basketball	208.00	
Admissions to football games	279.70	
Transportation fees	274.30	1470.35

Total cash	\$1843.90
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Disbursements:

Transportation	780.85	780.85
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Balance on hand January 1, 1966	\$1063.05
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Football Insurance Account - 1965

Balance on hand January 1, 1965	\$222.28
Receipts from Insurance Company	616.55
Disbursements to hospitals and doctors	420.90
Balance on hand January 1, 1966	\$417.93

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL FACULTY

NAME	SUBJECTS	WHERE EDUCATED
Mr. George M. Leonard	Principal	Bridgewater State College, B.S. Boston University, M. Ed.
Mrs. Margrette M. Bassett	Typing Office Practice Shorthand Social Studies	Brevard Junior College Greensboro College for Women, B.A. Army Language School * Berlitz School of Language Ordnance Training School
Mr. John T. Callahan	Asst. Principal Chemistry	Keene State College, B. Ed. Boston University, M. Ed. * University of Connecticut * Holy Cross
Miss Karen Clark	French General Science	Bridgewater State College, B.S.E.
Mrs. Patricia Conroy	English Librarian	North Adams State College, B. A.
Mr. William G. Conroy	English Speech	American International College B. A. * Westfield State College
Mr. Francis A. DeGrenier	General Science Biology	University of Mass., B.S. * Bridgewater State College

Mr. H. Nelson Dyer	Math Algebra	University of Mass., B. S. Ch. E.
Mr. Edward H. Forbush	Physical Education	University of Mass., B. S.
Mr. Roger W. O. Genest	English	Keene State College, B. E. * University of Massachusetts
Mr. Russell O. Goodwin	Voc. Agric.	University of New Hampshire, B. S. * University of Massachusetts
Mrs. Helen B. Gorzocoski	Math	University of Massachusetts, B. A.
Mrs. Beryle Hammond	Home Economics	University of New Hampshire, B. S. * University of Massachusetts
Mr. John Hogan	Math Industrial Arts	North Adams State College, B. S. Ed. * Keene State College
Mrs. Lois A. Humphrey	Physical Education	Sargent College, B. U., B. S. * Springfield College
Mr. Peter J. Kapolka	Social Studies	Worcester State College, B. S. Ed. * Assumption College * University of Massachusetts
Mrs. Sylvia Liebenow	English Literature	Middlebury College, B. A. * University of Massachusetts * Greenfield Community College

Mr. Samuel J. Lussier, Jr.	General Science	University of Mass., B. S., M. S.
Mr. Richard J. Martin	Typing, Economics, Business Law	Husson College, B.S.
Mr. William S. Messer	Physical Education Social Studies	Springfield College, B. S. * University of Vermont * University of Massachusetts
Mr. John R. Miles	Physics and Science	No. Adams State Teachers' College, B. S. E. Michigan State University, M. A. T.
Mrs. Jeanne L. Mitchell	Home Economics Literature	University of Massachusetts, B. S. * N. Y. State University College of Ed.
Mr. John A. Peters	English U. S. History	Trinity College, B. A. * Fitchburg State College * Harvard University
Mrs. Frances Peters	Social Studies World Geography	Bridgewater State College, B. S. Ed. * University of Massachusetts
Miss Karen J. Peterson	English	University of Massachusetts, B. A. * Boston University

Mr. Ernest P. Pike	Guidance Director	Fitchburg State Teachers' College, B.S.E., M.E. * Boston University * Keene Teachers' College * University of Massachusetts * University of Colorado * University Extension
Mr. Edward A. Potter	Math, Algebra Geometry	Castleton State College, B.S.
Mr. John C. Trumbull	Social Studies World History	University of Massachusetts, B.A., M. Ed.
Mr. Linwood E. Wallace	Industrial Arts	Gorham State Teachers College, B.S. * University of Maine * University of Rhode Island
Mrs. Thelma K. Yeager	English, Latin	Bates College, A.B. Boston University, M.A. * University of Mass. Summer School
Mrs. Ruth M. Young	Shorthand Bookkeeping Business Math	American International College, B.S., M.A. * University of Mass., Extension
Mr. August C. Mello	Art Supervisor	Massachusetts College of Art, B.S.Ed.
Mrs. Gloria Gancarz	Music Supervisor	Boston University, B.M.

Mr. Eugene Gancarz

Instrumental
Music Supv.

Boston University, B. M., M. M.
* University of Massachusetts

* Additional courses

Principal's Secretary -

Mrs. Madeline Trumbull

Guidance Secretary -

Miss Gertrude Lauber

School Nurse -

Mrs. Dorothy Streeter, R. N.

School Doctor -

Dr. Ansel B. True

Cafeteria Workers -

Mrs. Agnes Wickey, Head
Mrs. Nellie Barber
Mrs. Olive Stone
Mrs. Ada Field

Custodians -

Mr. Wing Der, Head
Mr. John D. Ware

REPORT OF THE MUSIC SUPERVISOR

TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND THE PIONEER VALLEY
REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

This being my first report as Pioneer Valley Regional Music Supervisor it can cover only those musical activities since September, 1965.

A program of singing, music appreciation, listening to recordings of past and contemporary music has been going on in all general music classes.

The junior glee club has been meeting once weekly. The senior glee club has been meeting twice a week. Both groups performed at a Christmas assembly and at the annual Glee Club Christmas Concert. The concert was well attended and enthusiastically received.

Respectfully submitted,

GLORIA GANCARZ
Music Supervisor

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND THE PIONEER VALLEY
REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

One hundred and thirty students are presently enrolled in the instrumental music program at the Pioneer Valley Regional School. Seventy-four are in the senior band, fifty-six in the junior band. Both bands meet twice weekly.

The function of the junior band is to prepare students for the senior band and participate in an annual spring concert.

The activities of the senior band are many and varied: taking part in the Franklin County Fair, football games, community parades, Stage Shows, Assemblies, spring concerts, festivals and the popular exchange concerts. The exchange this year was with the Memorial High School Band of East Paterson, New Jersey. The stage show this fall was "Swinging High" which played to a full house the nights of December 10 and 11, 1965.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE GANCARZ
Director of Instrumental Music

REPORT OF THE ART SUPERVISOR

TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND THE PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE;

I submit herewith my third annual report as Union Art Supervisor. This year the seventh and eighth grades worked on a variety of projects designed to develop their creative growth and manual dexterity. The projects were in ceramics, painting, drawing and related craft projects. Each student receives art twice a week for a total of one hour and fifty minutes each week.

Grades nine through twelve worked on projects that were less in number but took a longer time to complete. They worked with oil paints, watercolors, ceramics and woodcarvings.

This fall it was necessary to utilize the Art Room as a homeroom. Many of the art desks were replaced with thirty-four classroom desks. Portable plywood covers were made by the woodworking shop to protect the desks while being used for art projects. The covers will also be used as sketching and drawing boards when the students are working out of doors this spring.

Respectfully submitted,

AUGUST C. MELLO
Art Supervisor

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND THE PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

All students in grades seven and ten as well as students participating in sports had physical examinations during the fall.

Ear testing was done in the fall and eye tests were done in the spring. I believe that you, as parents of our students, would be interested in the summary of the Vision and Hearing Conservation Programs in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Public Schools for the school year 1963-64. The percentage of children who were accepted as correct referrals by an eye specialist was 94%. These facts are based on reports that all school nurses are required to fill out and send to the state each year.

A clinic was conducted at Pioneer Valley for all members of the school personnel interested in being protected against Asian Flu. Twenty-eight took advantage of this clinic.

The Home Nursing course was taught for sixteen weeks and certificates were presented to all those who successfully completed the course.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY STREETER, R.N.
School Nurse

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND THE PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

During the year I have examined all students of the seventh and tenth grades, all students transferring to Pioneer, and all students participating in team sports.

Fewer physical defects were found this year. Last year's problem of obesity has improved.

In the fall an influenza vaccine clinic was conducted for the members of the faculty.

I, also, attended the home football games which this year were played at Mount Hermon and Turners Falls High School and administered necessary first aid to the players of both teams. The team had few and only minor injuries this year. I would strongly recommend that football be continued at Pioneer.

Respectfully submitted,
ANSEL B. TRUE, M.D.
School Physician

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

January 1, 1965 - December 31, 1965

Balance on hand December 31, 1964:

Capital	\$ 2138.61
Operational	58318.56
School Lunches	1720.44
Athletic Fund	595.83

George Barden Fund (Vo. Ag.)	1074.96	
National Defense Education Act, Title III & V	1114.26	
Reserve for Maturing Debt (Savings Deposits)	49888.76	
Trust Funds, Savings Deposit	340.16	
Trust Funds, Cash	19.41	\$115210.99

RECEIPTS

Capital:

Reimbursement and aid on construction	52880.76	
Interest on savings deposits	1785.00	
Town of Bernardston assessment	11363.07	
Town of Leyden assessment	3923.94	
Town of Northfield assessment	21336.40	
Town of Warwick assessment	4250.93	95540.10

Operational:

Reimbursement of transportation	45442.28	
Aid to Vocational Schools	4802.22	
Town of Bernardston assessment	75884.17	
Town of Leyden assessment	18056.78	
Town of Northfield assessment	124797.47	
Town of Warwick assessment	24228.08	

Tuition:

Edward Olsen	280.14	
George Olsen	280.14	
Ingrid Olsen	280.14	
Ann Whitten	194.88	
Elizabeth Whitten	657.72	
Sarah Whitten	194.88	
Town of Gill	7015.40	
Town of Greenfield	937.84	
State Wards	1251.00	11092.14

Miscellaneous:

E.P.A.	108.60	
Sale of materials	189.02	
Use of Building	325.50	
Adult education	343.00	
Lightning damage	495.20	

Plate glass replacement	171.36	
Other receipts	292.85	1925.53
Reimbursement under National Defense Act, Title III & Title V		728.57
School Lunches		24592.42
George Barden Fund (Voc. Ag.)		1262.00
Athletic Fund		2086.90
Trust Funds, interest on savings deposit		14.44
Federal Funds for Work Study program		5730.50
George Barden Funds for Equipment	392.00	<u>\$436575.60</u>
Total Receipts and Holdings		\$551786.59

DISBURSEMENTS

Capital:

Interest due May 1	495.00	
Interest due November 1	440.00	
Interest due January 1	10862.50	
Interest due July 1	10862.50	
Redemption of bonds 2.20%	5000.00	
Redemption of bonds 2.75%	70000.00	\$97660.00

Operational:

Administration	8899.85	
Instruction	202079.77	
Other Services	52219.84	
Operation and Maintenance	38534.15	
Fixed Charges	4999.37	
Acquisition of Equipment	5062.51	311795.49
School Lunches		22700.36
Athletic Association		1201.75
George Barden Fund (Vo. Ag.)		1724.14
National Defense Education Act, Title III and Title V		423.46
Work Study Program (Federal Funds)		2751.75
George Barden Funds for Equipment		379.00
Total Disbursements		\$438635.95

Balance on hand December 31, 1965:

Capital	1785.00	
Operational	61846.84	
School Lunches	3612.50	
Athletic Fund	1480.98	
George Barden Fund (Vo. Ag.)	612.82	
National Defense Education Act. Title III & V	1419.37	
Reserve for Maturing Debt (Savings Deposits)	39027.37	
Federal Funds - Work Study Program	2978.75	
Trust Funds, Savings Deposit	340.16	
Trust Funds, Cash	33.85	
		<u>113150.64</u>
		\$551786.59

Respectfully submitted,
Treasurer

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL

SCHOOL COMMITTEE FINANCIAL REPORT - 1965

	App. 1965	Spent 1965	Recom. 1966
1000 Administration	\$ 9496.00	\$8899.85	\$11810.00
2000 Instruction	201499.85	202083.62	227117.00
3000 Other Services	51500.00	52219.84	53275.00
4000 Operation and Main- tenance	37815.17	38545.83	35750.00
5000 Fixed Charges	4624.00	5023.37	5798.00
7000 Acquisition of Fixed Assets	5900.00	5062.51	8400.00
Totals	\$311835.02	\$311835.02	\$342150.00

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT OPERATING BUDGET 1966

Administration	\$11810.00
Instruction	227117.00

Other Services	53275.00	
Operation & Maintenance of Plant	35750.00	
Fixed Charges	5448.00	
Interest on Temporary Loans	350.00	
Acquisition of Equipment	8400.00	\$342150.00

Less the following credits:

Anticipated revenue:

Transportation	\$45277.00	
Tuition	11092.00	
State Aid to Vocational Schools	4800.00	
Reimbursement (E.P.A.)	108.00	
Evening Practical Arts	50.00	
Appropriation from Surplus	15000.00	\$76327.00

Reimbursement from Smith-Hughes Fund, Vocational Agriculture

1062.00 \$77389.00

Net Operating Budget to be asked from the Towns \$264761.00

Apportionment between Towns:

Bernardston	170.5/538.5 of \$264,761.00	83828.69	
Leyden	40.5/538.5 of \$264,761.00	19912.39	
Northfield	280.5/538.5 of \$264,761.00	137911.72	
Warwick	47 /538.5 of \$264,761.00	23108.20	\$264761.00

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH

Net worth January 1, 1965		\$2227.67
Cash balance	\$ -277.39	
Receipts:		
Sales to students	16740.75	
Sales to adults	905.45	
Milk	327.07	
U. S. D. A. Received	7129.65	
Other	366.93	25469.85
Total Cash	25192.46	

Disbursements:

Food	15650.37
Labor	6899.90
Other	871.78

Total Disbursements 23422.05

Cash balance 1770.41

Cash balance	1770.41
Inventory	603.91
U.S.D.A. Claims	1383.50

Net worth December 31, 1965 \$ 3757.82

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
CAPITAL BUDGET
1966

Maturing Debt, May \$5000.00

Maturing Debt, July 70000.00

Interest \$ 40,000.	May	440.00
Interest 35,000.	November	385.00
Interest 720,000.	January	9900.00
Interest 720,000.	July	9900.00

\$20625.00 \$95625.00

Against this amount we are applying
State Aid Building Reimbursement 44695.17

Appropriate from:

E. & D. Surplus:

1965 Savings Interest	1782.90	
Savings Withdrawals		
Franklin Savings Inst.	307.59	
Suffolk Franklin Savings		
Bank of Boston	10000.00	12090.49
		<u>56785.66</u>

Town Appropriation 38839.34

Down \$2035.00

Northfield Town Warrant

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

FRANKLIN, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Northfield in the County of Franklin,
GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the

TOWN HALL

in said Northfield on Monday the seventh day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles: -

Town Clerk for one year, Town Treasurer for one year, Tax Collector for one year, one Selectman for three years, one Assessor for three years, Town Moderator for one year, one School Committee member for three years, one School Committee member for one year, one member Pioneer Valley Regional School Committee for three years, one member Athol-Franklin County Regional Vocational Technical School Committee for two years, one Cemetery Commissioner for three years, two Library Trustees for three years, one member Planning Board for five years, one member Planning Board for three years.

The polls will open at ten A.M. and close at eight P.M.

And you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Northfield, qualified to vote in Town Affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, March 8, 1966 at seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To hear the Reports of the Several Town Officers and act thereon.

Article 2. To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1966; and to issue a note or notes thereof, payable within one year, and to renew such notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws; any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1966.

Article 3. To see if the Town will empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town or act thereon.

Article 4. To see whether the Town will vote to fix the salaries of all elected officials for the calendar year 1966, raise and appropriate the sums of money therefor and raise and appropriate further sums of money for the maintenance of the several departments of the Town and for other necessary charges.

The Finance Committee recommends as follows:

Moderator Salary	\$ 25.00	Highway Superintendent	
Expense	15.00	Expense	\$ 200.00
Finance Committee		Highway Dept. Sick	
Expense	50.00	Leave, Vacations,	
Selectmen	1475.00	Holidays	1300.00
Chairman	525.00	Tools for Highway Work	200.00
Other members	475.00	Snow Removal	9000.00
Expense	600.00	Highways, Bridges and	
Town Accountant	1200.00	Railings	3000.00
Expense	300.00	Highways Bounds, Surveys	
Treasurer Salary	1200.00	and St. List	50.00
Expense	500.00	Sidewalks	1000.00
Tax Collector Salary	1200.00	Street Lighting	6600.00
Expense	700.00	Land Damage	100.00
Foreclosure costs		Welfare Board	275.00
Tax Title	500.00	Chairman	125.00
Protection Tax Title		Other Members	75.00
Prop.	25.00	General Relief	4000.00
Assessors Salary	1200.00	Old Age Assistance	15000.00
Each Member	400.00	A.F.D.C.	5000.00
Expense	400.00	Disability Assistance	2000.00
Town Clerk Salary	750.00	Medical Assistance to the	
Expense	100.00	Aged	12000.00
Legal Expense	350.00	Welfare	906.04
Election & Registration	2000.00	Soldiers Relief	2400.00
Planning Board Expense	200.00	School Committee	
Town Hall Maintenance	6000.00	Salary	300.00
Constable, Special Police		Each Member	100.00
Pay, Exp. & Equip-		PVRS Committee	
ment	2000.00	Salary	300.00
Fence Viewers, Field		Each Member	100.00
Drivers, & Pound		Elementary Schools	150000.00
Keeper	50.00	PVRS Capital	
Fire Dept. Salaries	500.00	Budget	20274.14
Operating Acct.	4500.00	PVRS Operating	
Public Safety	50.00	Budget	137911.72

Fire Dept. Hose & Equip.	1300.00	Athol-Franklin Regional	
Water Holes	400.00	Vocational School Dist.	1715.13
Hydrant Service	500.00	Maintenance Athletic	
Fire Station & Town		Field	400.00
Garage Maintenance	1900.00	Swimming Pool	800.00
Tree, Trim & Plant	1200.00	Town Reports	1300.00
Combat Dutch Elm	3000.00	Memorial Day &	
Insect & Pest Control	500.00	Veterans Day	
Wire Inspector	50.00	Observances	350.00
Dog Officer & Expense	250.00	Fire & Casualty Insurance	7300.00
Civil Defense	100.00	Town Clock	100.00
Public Health	5500.00	Alexander Hall	250.00
Nurse & Substitute	3200.00	Cemeteries	2600.00
Expense	75.00	Fire Station Bonds	
Car Expense	200.00	Interest	612.00
Inspection of Animals	200.00	Maturing Debt	3000.00
Inspection of Meat		Interest	100.00
and Slaug.	50.00	Discontinued School	
		Houses	100.00

Article 5. To see if the Town will authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as Clerk of the Board under the provisions of Section 4a, Chapter 41 of the General Laws, or employ a clerk, and to raise and appropriate a sum or sums of money to pay the salary of such clerk or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends \$900.00.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to have the Assessors publish a Tax Valuation book and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends \$1000.00.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into contract with the Board of Public Works, Division of Highways for repair and improvement of roads and highways, exclusive of state highways, and raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highways, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate \$4950.00 and transfer \$18,150.00 from unappropriated funds in the treasury.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Construction or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate \$6600.00 for the Town's share, transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of \$19,800.00 for the state and county's share.

Article 9. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Maintenance or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate \$2000.00 and transfer \$4000.00.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Machinery Fund a sum of money for the Machinery Maintenance Account, or take any action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to transfer the sum of \$8500.00 from the Machinery Fund.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a new Highway Department dump truck and related equipment, raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends \$9000.00.

Article 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum or sums of money for the use of the Field Library at Northfield Farms or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends \$150.00.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum or sums of money for the operation of Dickinson Memorial Library or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends \$7375.00.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the money received from the County, known as the "Dog Fund", for the Dickinson Memorial Library, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to accept any sum of money from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a grant providing state aid for free public libraries under the provisions of Chapter 760 of the Acts of 1960 and to appropriate the exact sum so received for its public library or libraries, pass any vote or votes in relation thereto or act thereon.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to accept from the friends and family of Mrs. William P. Stanley the sum of \$10.00 to be left at interest and only the interest used by the Dickinson Memorial Library to purchase books. This amount to be added to the Stanley Book Fund.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum or sums of money to be used to purchase fish to be liberated in the streams of Northfield, under the supervision of the Selectmen, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends \$200.00.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to sell a tract of land containing approximately 129 acres situated on Northfield Mountain, and being known as the Robert Cook Lot, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to sell a portion of School House Lot #4, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$100.00 from Alice A. Mosse for perpetual care of Lot #53 in Mt. Hermon Cemetery.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$100.00 from the estate of Jane E. Holton, for perpetual care of the Charles Barton Holton Lot in the Mt. Hermon Cemetery.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$10.00 from L. Douglas & Ruth A. Polhemus for payment toward perpetual care of Lot #56 in Mt. Hermon Cemetery.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$25.00 from Boyd B. Palmer for part payment toward perpetual care of Lot #89 in West Northfield Cemetery.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$100.00 from Claire H. Montague for perpetual care of Lot #41 in Mt. Hermon Cemetery.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$100.00 from the Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Lombard for perpetual care of Lot #292 1/2 in Center Cemetery.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Overlay Reserve, a sum of money for a Reserve Fund for the current year, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends \$5000.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to be used by the Assessors in determining the 1966 Tax Rate, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends \$15,000.

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